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Abstract

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Carbon-carbon (C–C) bonds construct the skeleton of all organic molecules. Hence, the development of new efficient methods of C–C bond formation is of great significance in organic chemistry. Since the discovery of the Grignard reaction, carbonyl addition has been an established method for C–C bond formation. In classical carbonyl additions, premetalated reagents or stoichiometric metallic reductants are required. By taking advantage of the native reducing capability of alcohols, our lab has developed methods that exploit alcohols and π -unsaturates to generate transient electrophile-nucleophile pairs to directly convert lower alcohols to higher alcohol. Efforts have been focused on the development of transition metal-catalyzed redox-triggered coupling reactions of primary alcohols and aldehydes to π -unsaturates as well as aryl iodides. Modern methods to construct new C-C bonds in highly selective manner via carbonyl addition were undertaken.

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Chapter 1: Metal-Catalyzed Reductive Coupling of Aryl Halides and Carbonyl Compounds beyond Nozaki-Hiyama-Kishi Reaction

1.1 INTRODUCTION AND HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

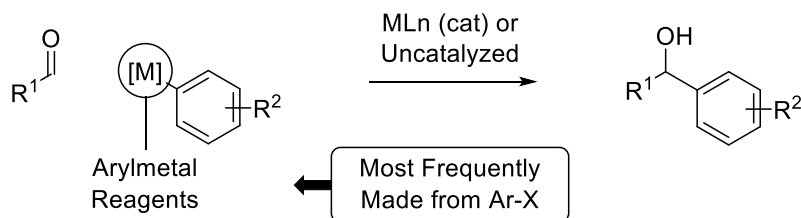
Constructing new carbon-carbon(C-C) bonds is one of the most important tasks for organic chemists since the skeleton of organic molecules is constructed of C-C bonds. Among the C-C bond forming methods, carbonyl addition reactions, especially carbonyl allylation, have been broadly used currently in organic synthesis.¹⁻⁸ Carbonyl addition reactions mediated by pre-formed organometallic reagents became a milestone in organic synthesis since the seminal work of Butlerov^{9,10} (1863), Reformatsky¹¹ (1887), and Grignard¹² (1900). Nevertheless, the issues of safety, requirement of cryogenic conditions, disposal of stoichiometric metal byproducts, low chemoselectivity and tolerance of functional groups, as well as the low accessibility of the premetalated nucleophiles complicate their applications in large-scale synthesis. Notably, the organometallic reagents are usually prepared from the corresponding organic halides,¹³ which are much more readily available. Therefore, the metal-catalyzed reductive coupling of organic halides with carbonyl compounds is more desirable when contrasted with the use of premetalated nucleophiles in carbonyl addition. The reductive coupling of organic halides with carbonyl compounds also represents a class of cross-electrophile coupling reactions¹⁴, which depict the deviation from traditional nucleophilic carbonyl addition with organometallic reagents and allow people to explore more chemical space.

In 1977, Nozaki and Hiyama reported the chromium(II)-mediated Barbier-type coupling of allyl halides with aldehydes to form homoallylic alcohols,¹⁵ which was the initial report of Nozaki-Hiyama-Kishi (NHK) reaction. In 1986, Nozaki¹⁶ and Kishi¹⁷ independently found that nickel(II) chloride functioned as a catalyst in the NHK reaction.

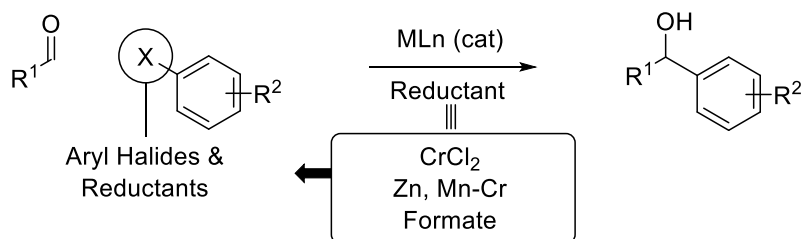
The discovery of this reaction has had a huge impact on organic synthesis strategy,^{18,19} but also revealed the feasibility of metal-catalyzed reductive coupling of organic halides with carbonyl compounds without employing pre-formed nucleophiles. The requirement of stoichiometric amounts of the toxic chromium(II) salts limits the application of NHK reaction on a practical scale. Consequently the metal-catalyzed reductive coupling of organic halides with carbonyl compounds utilizing cheaper and more benign reductants has been explored in recent years. However, when compared with metal-catalyzed redox-neutral couplings of aryl halides and aldehydes to form ketone products, which has been extensively studied by many research groups and can be conducted under different metal catalyst systems (palladium,²⁰⁻²⁹ rhodium,^{30,31} nickel,^{32,33} photo-redox,³⁴ and cobalt³⁵), metal-catalyzed reductive coupling is more challenging due to the choice of reductants (Scheme 1.1).

Scheme 1.1 Carbonyl Arylation via Arylmatal Reagents and Metal Catalyzed Reductive Coupling Strategies.

Classical C=O Arylation via Arylmatal Reagents



C=O Arylation via Metal Catalyzed Reductive Coupling



In this review, the metal-catalyzed reductive coupling of aryl halides with carbonyl compounds, including aldehydes, ketones, carbon dioxide, acid chlorides, anhydrides, isocyanates and other carbonyl sources, are surveyed and organized on the basis of metal catalysts. Related reductive coupling to gaseous carbon monoxide to produce aldehydes³⁶⁻⁴⁷, which is also referred as carbonylation or formylation, is not discussed here, and the reader is referred to the provided literature.

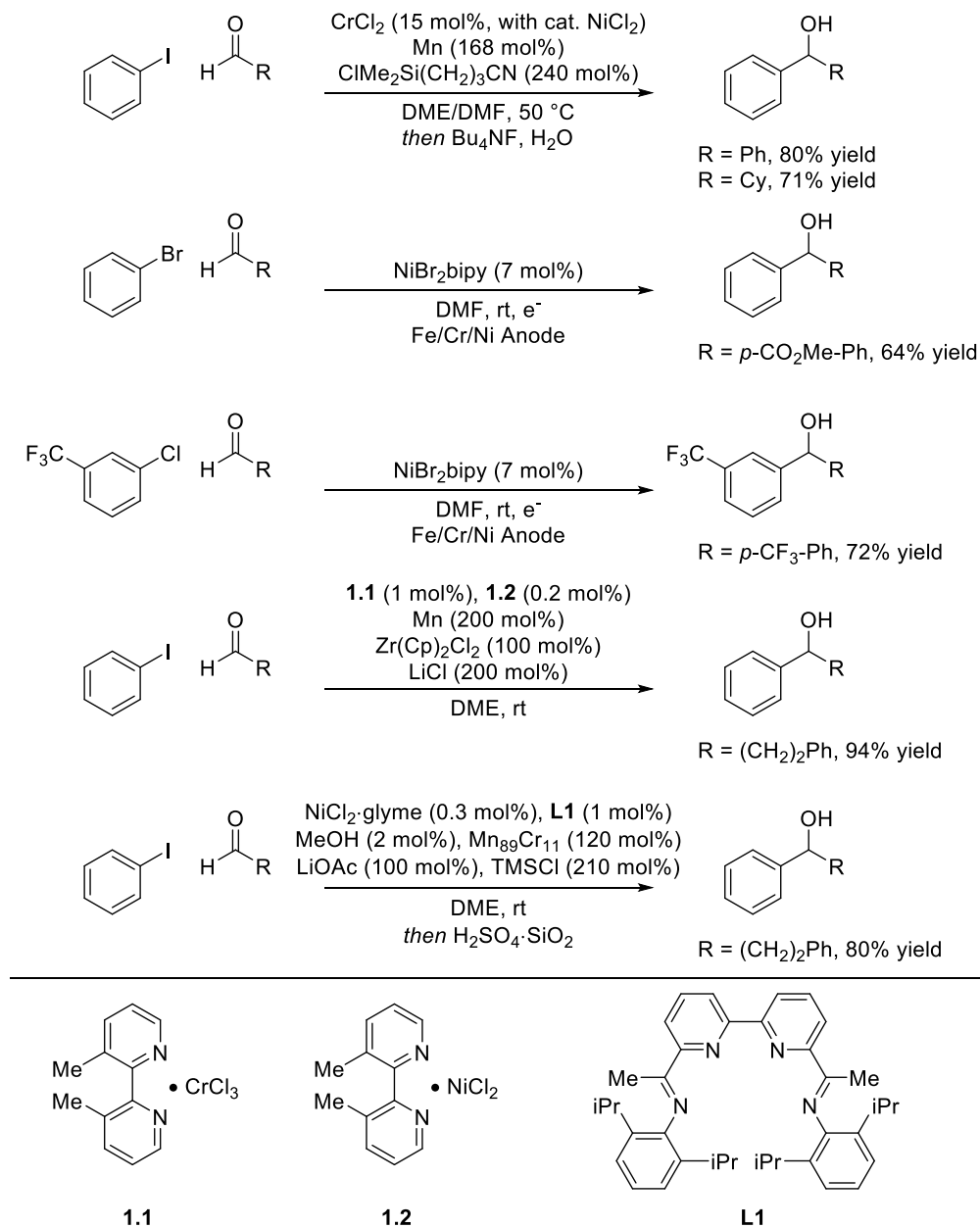
1.2 REDUCTIVE COUPLING WITH ALDEHYDES

1.2.1 Nickel

Following the original report of the NHK coupling of aryl halides and aldehydes,¹⁵ catalytic NHK reactions had been studied by several research groups due to usage of the toxicity of divalent chromium salts (Scheme 1.2). Related NHK reaction catalytic in nickel/chromium was first developed by Fürstner and co-workers^{48,49} in 1996 using manganese as reducing agent to reduce Cr(III) to Cr(II) and chlorosilane as oxophile to cleave the stable O-Cr(III) bond and release Cr(III). Upon aqueous workup with Bu₄NF, alcohol adducts were obtained by coupling of aryl iodides and aldehydes. Later in 1999 and 2001, electroreductive coupling of aryl bromides/chlorides and aldehydes with iron anode in the presence of nickel and chromium catalysts was reported by Durrandetti and co-workers^{50,51}. Further studies by Kishi and co-workers⁵², Ni/Cr-mediated reductive coupling of iodobenzene with aldehyde was reported by using manganese as reductant together with Zr(Cp)₂Cl₂ to dissociate the chromium alkoxide and regenerate chromium catalyst. The loading of nickel and chromium was 0.2 mol% and 1 mol% respectively, and excellent isolated yields were obtained. In 2015, Berkessel and co-workers reported an efficient protocol for coupling of aryl iodides with aldehydes under nickel catalysis.⁵³

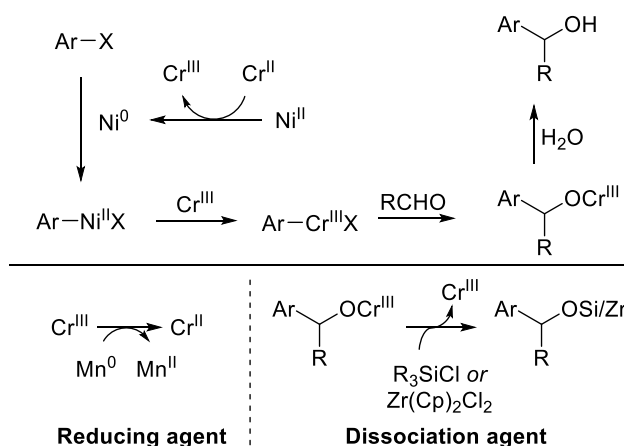
Mn/Cr alloy was used as terminal reductant instead of the classical combination of manganese powder and chromium salt, and TMSCl was used as dissociating agent.

Scheme 1.2 Ni/Cr-Catalyzed Aryl Halide-Aldehyde Reductive Coupling.



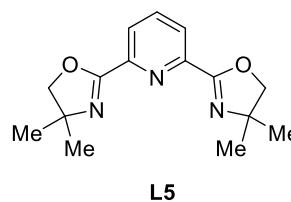
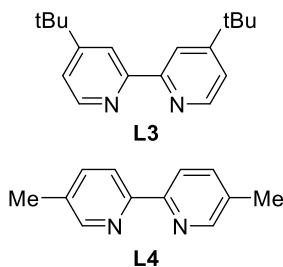
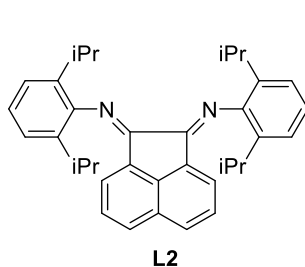
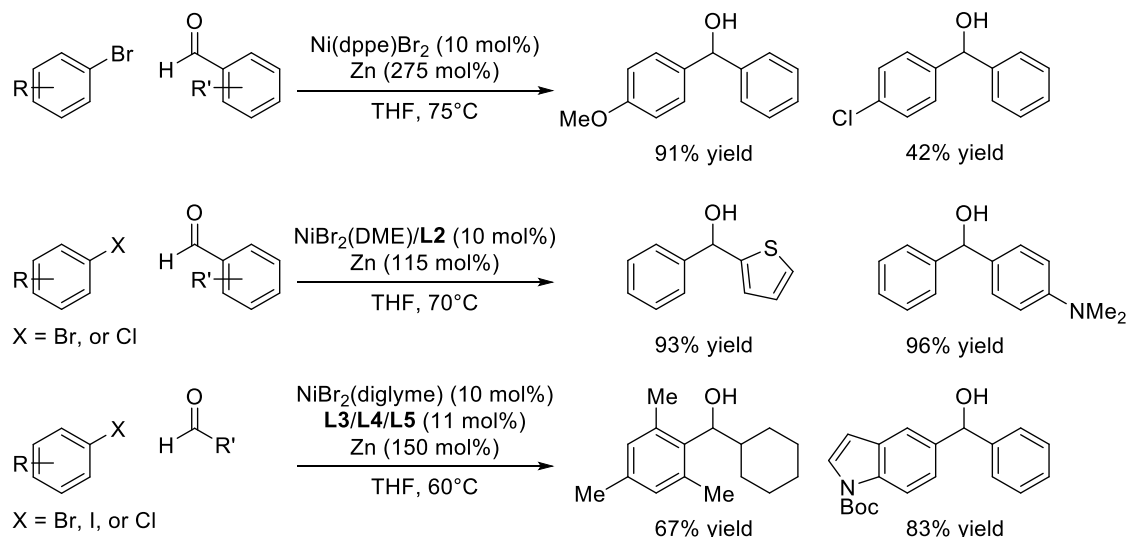
A General mechanism for Ni/Cr-catalyzed aryl halide-aldehyde reductive coupling has been proposed (Scheme 1.3). Oxidative addition of aryl halide to nickel(0) to form arylnickel(II) intermediate, which underwent transmetalation with chromium(III) to generate arylchromium(III) intermediate. Nucleophilic carbonyl addition afforded the chromium(III) alkoxide, which was converted to the final alcohol adduct and release chromium(III) with the help of dissociation agents. Reducing agents converted chromium(III) back to chromium(II), which reentered the catalytic cycle.

Scheme 1.3 Catalytic Mechanism for Ni/Cr-Catalyzed Aryl Halide-Aldehyde Reductive Coupling.



In 2000, the first chromium-free (diphenylphosphino)ethane-modified nickel catalyzed zinc mediated direct arylation of benzaldehydes was reported by Cheng and co-workers (Scheme 1.4).⁵⁴ The chelating ligands was found crucial in promoting the coupling, and monodentate phosphine ligands were ineffective. A catalytic mechanism was proposed (Scheme 1.5). First, reduction of Ni(II) to Ni(0) by zinc followed by oxidative addition of aryl bromide provided arylnickel(II) species. Substitution of bromide ligand on nickel center with aldehyde and subsequent carbonyl insertion to the Ni-Ar bond generated

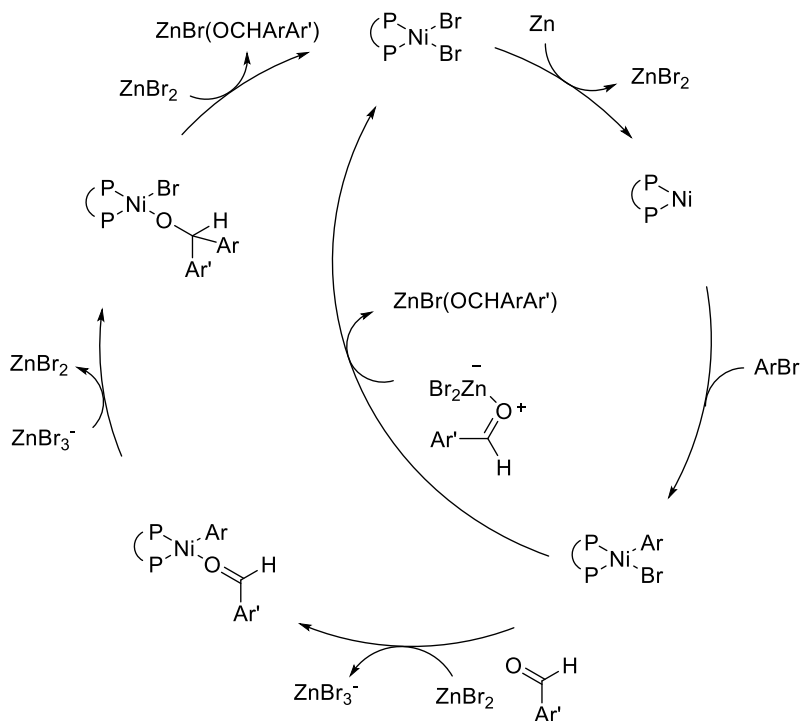
Scheme 1.4 Ni-Catalyzed Aryl Halide-Aldehyde Reductive Coupling for Form Alcohol Adducts.



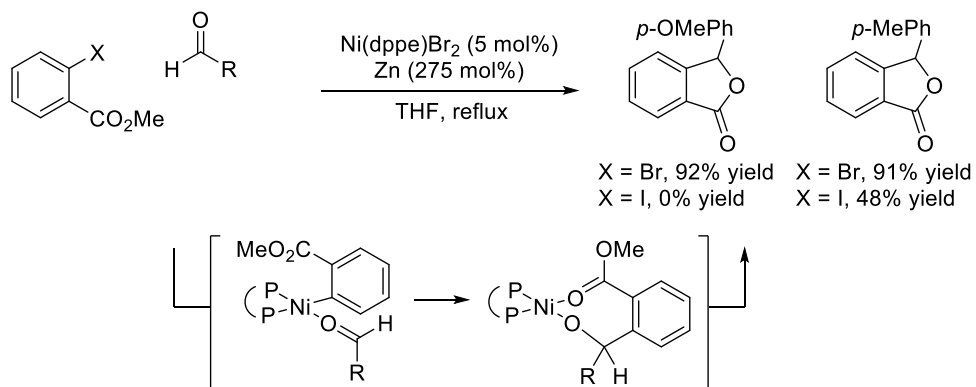
nickel alkoxide intermediate. Transmetalation with zinc bromides released the zinc alkoxide and regenerated Ni(II) catalyst. In 2015, diazabutadiene ligands were found to be effectively promoting the nickel catalyzed reductive coupling of aryl bromides and chlorides with benzaldehydes in good to excellent yields by Voskoboynikov and co-workers.⁵⁵ Recently, Weix and co-workers reported nickel complexes of bipyridine and Pybox catalyzed addition of aryl bromides to aromatic and aliphatic aldehydes with zinc metal as reducing agent.⁵⁶ Less reactive and more steric hindered aldehydes, as well as bulky aryl bromide were able to form the resresponding coupling adducts with good to excellent

yields. Not only aryl bromides, aryl iodide could give comparable efficiency in the reaction. While when aryl chloride was used instead, coupling adduct was isolated but with much

Scheme 1.5 Catalytic Mechanism for Ni-Catalyzed Aryl Halide-Aldehyde Reductive Coupling.



Scheme 1.6 Ni-Catalyzed Reductive Coupling of o-Haloesters with Aldehydes to Form Phthalide Derivatives.



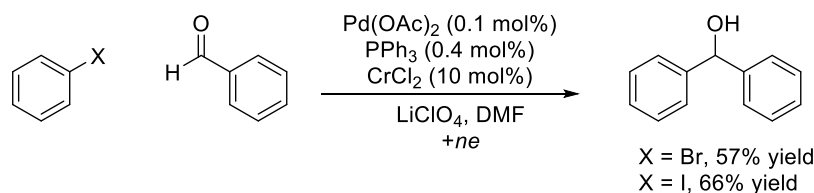
lower yield even at high temperature; aryl triflate could not engage in the coupling under the standard conditions. Also a very broad substrate scope was demonstrated in this work.

In 2004, Cheng and co-workers reported reductive coupling of o-Haloesters with aldehydes in the presence of Ni(dppe)Br₂, and phthalide derivatives were obtained with moderate to good yields (Scheme 1.6).⁵⁷ When 2-iodobenzoate was subjected to the same reaction conditions, much lower yields were obtained, which was due to more homocoupling byproducts of both reactants were generated.

1.2.2 Palladium

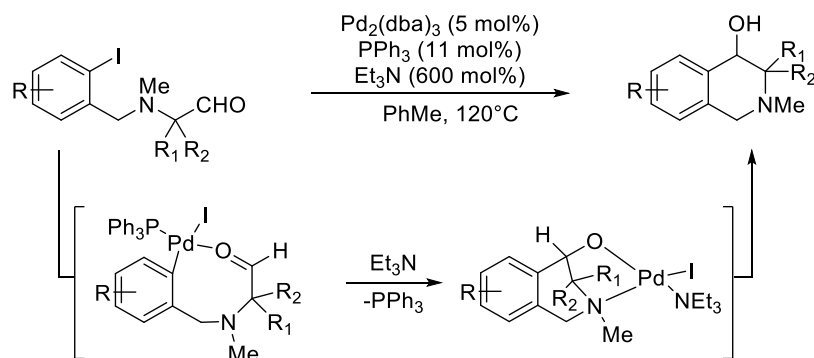
The first palladium(0) catalyzed chromium mediated electroreductive coupling of aryl halides and benzaldehydes was reported by Grigg and co-workers in 1997 (Scheme 1.7).⁵⁸ Catalytic amount of CrCl₂ (10 mol%) was required and LiClO₄ was used as oxophile to cleave O-Cr bond. Similar yields were obtained from coupling with aryl bromide and aryl iodide

Scheme 1.7 Pd/Cr-Catalyzed Reductive Coupling of Aryl Halides with Benzaldehydes.



In 2014, palladium catalyzed intramolecular addition of aryl iodides to aldehyde reported by Solé, Fernández and co-workers (Scheme 1.8).⁵⁹ Simple PPh₃-modified palladium enabled the formation of diverse tetrahydroisoquinolin-4-ols with triethylamine as reducing agent. Notably, lower halide was demonstrated to be compatible under the

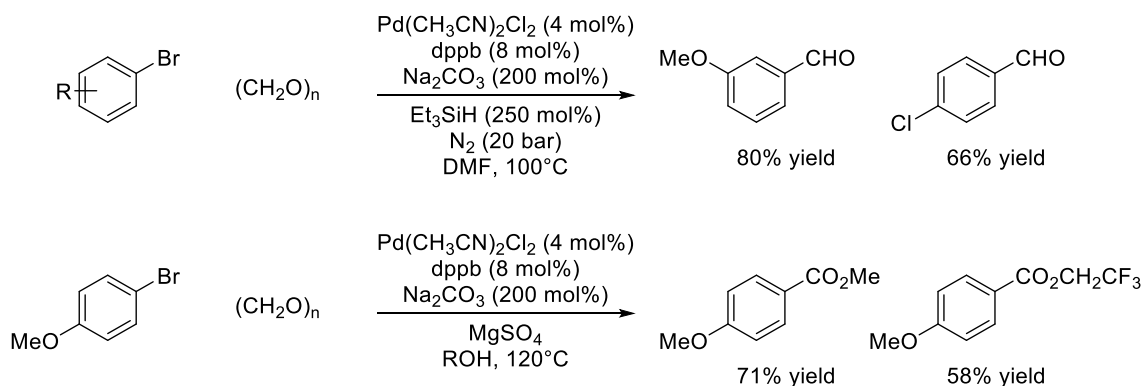
Scheme 1.8 Pd-Catalyzed Intramolecular Reductive Coupling of Aryl Iodides with Aldehydes.



standard conditions. According to DFT calculations, reaction mechanism was proposed through oxidative addition of aryl iodide to Pd(0) followed by the nucleophilic addition to aldehyde. Due to the coordination of palladium with nitrogen atom in the palladium alkoxide intermediate, β -hydride elimination was not sterically favored, which explained why ketone products were not observed.

In the same year, Beller and co-workers reported palladium catalyzed carbonylation of aryl bromides with paraformaldehyde to form aldehydes and esters⁶⁰. Paraformaldehyde was used as a carbon monoxide surrogate and subjected to the aryl bromide with $\text{Pd}(\text{CH}_3\text{CN})_2\text{Cl}_2$, dppb, Na_2CO_3 and Et_3SiH as reducing agent in DMF at 100°C to deliver benzaldehydes. Introduction of N_2 gas was to avoid the evaporation of paraformaldehyde from the reaction mixture to increase the reaction efficiency. When alcohols were used as the solvent instead of DMF, the corresponding esters were obtained under the same catalytic system without Et_3SiH .

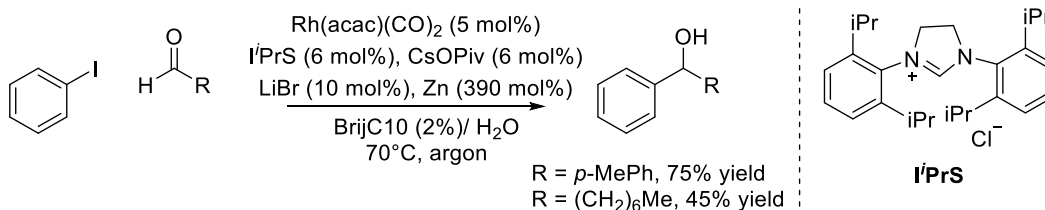
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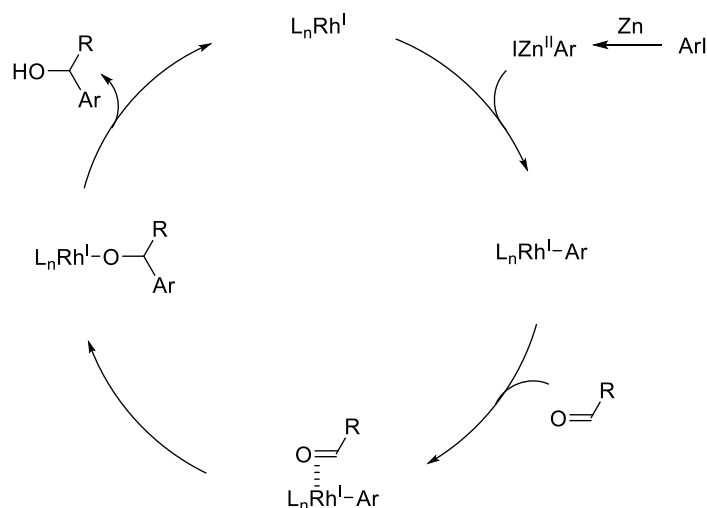
1.2.3 Rhodium

Insertion of aldehyde carbonyl group to rhodium-aryl complex to form rhodium alkoxide was reported to by Hartwig and co-workers in 2002.⁶¹ The first rhodium catalyzed arylation of aldehydes by coupling with aryl iodides was reported by Li and co-workers in 2014 (Scheme 1.10).⁶² NHC ligands showed unique high efficiency in the coupling, and the reaction was carried out in water. The mechanism for this method was proposed to proceed through transmetalation of arylzinc intermediate, which was generated *in situ*, to rhodium (I) to form arylrhodium (I) species (Scheme 1.11). Coordination of reactant

Scheme 1.10 Rh-Catalyzed Reductive Coupling of Aryl Iodides with Aldehydes in Water.

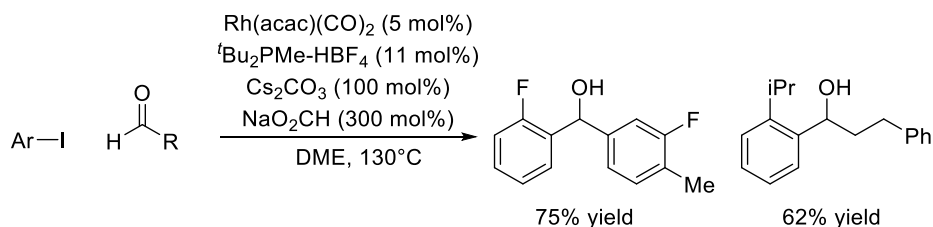


Scheme 1.11 Catalytic Mechanism of Rh-Catalyzed Reductive Coupling of Aryl Iodides with Aldehydes in Water.

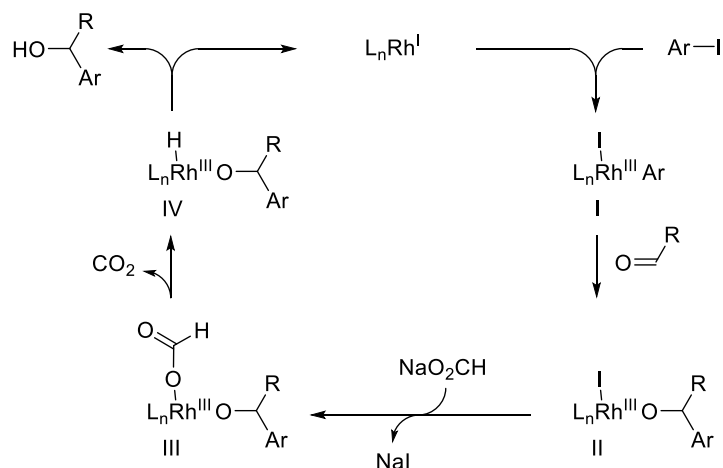


aldehyde followed by carbonyl insertion into the Rh-Ar bond generated rhodium alkoxide, which upon protonolysis, secondary alcohols was released and regenerate the active catalyst Rh(I). Another rhodium catalyzed reductive coupling of aryl iodide with aldehydes was recently reported by Krische and co-workers by using sodium formate as terminal reductant, which represented the first example of intermolecular carbonyl arylation via transfer hydrogenative reductive coupling (Scheme 1.12).⁶³ A very broad range of alcohol adducts were obtained, and the reaction was not sensitive to the substituted on the benzaldehydes. Notably, lower halides and protic functional groups were tolerated under the standard conditions. The catalytic mechanism was proposed based on the results of deuterium study (Scheme 1.13). Oxidative addition of aryl iodide to rhodium(I) to form arylrhodium(III) intermediate. Coordination of aldehyde to Rh(III) followed by carbonyl insertion afforded the rhodium alkoxide intermediate. Ligand exchange with formate followed by β -hydride elimination and further reductive elimination to release the coupling adduct, as well as close the catalytic cycle.

Scheme 1.12 Rh-Catalyzed Formate Mediated Reductive Coupling of Aryl Iodides with Aldehydes.



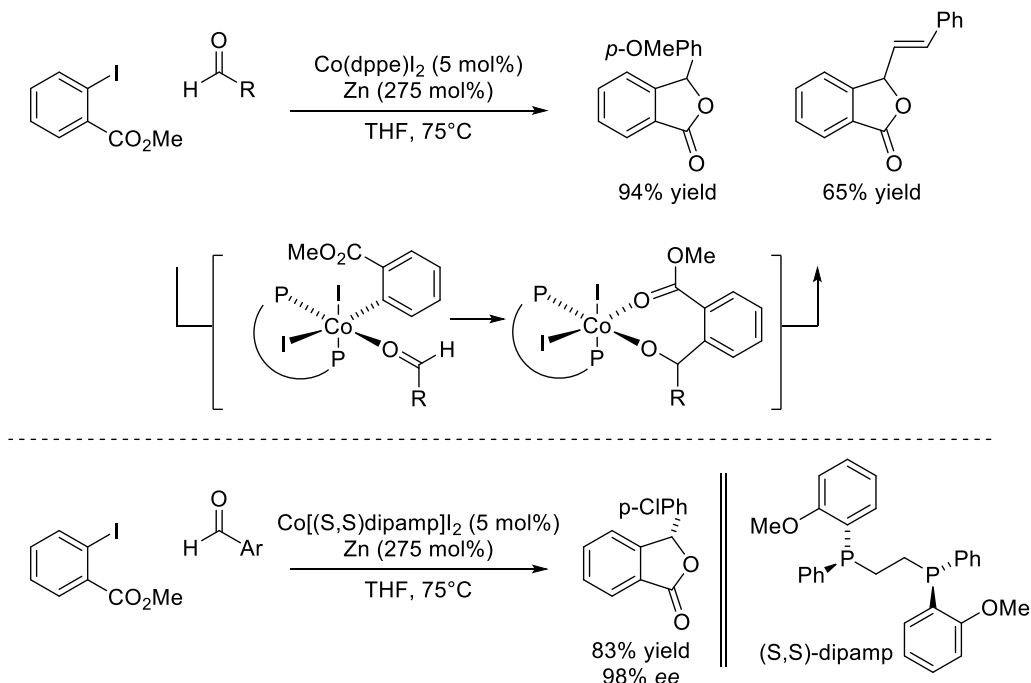
Scheme 1.13 Catalytic Mechanism of Rh-Catalyzed Formate Mediated Reductive Coupling of Aryl Iodides with Aldehydes in Water.



1.2.4 Cobalt

There's only one report on cobalt catalyzed reductive coupling of *o*-iodobenzoates with benzaldehydes to form phthalides with good yields in 2007 by Cheng and co-workers (Scheme 1.14).⁶⁴ Enantiomeric enriched phthalides up to 98% *ee* were obtained when (S,S)-dipamp was used. Notably, when cinnamyl aldehyde was subjected to the coupling condition with 2-iodobenzoate, coupling adduct was isolated in 65% yield, which indicated

Scheme 1.14 Co-Catalyzed Reductive Coupling of *o*-Haloesters with Aldehydes to Form Phthalide Derivatives.



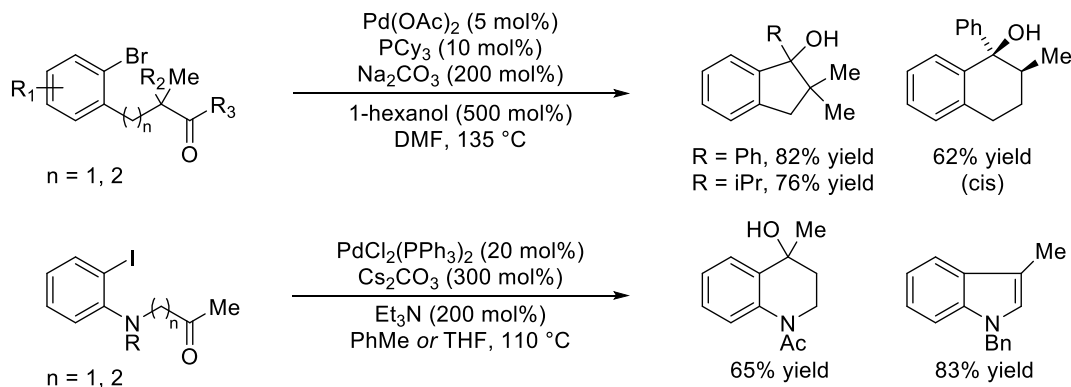
that aldehyde carbonyl group competed effectively with the double bond in the insertion step. The reaction was proposed undergo a Co(I)/Co(III) catalytic cycle.

1.3 REDUCTIVE COUPLING WITH KETONES

1.3.1 Palladium

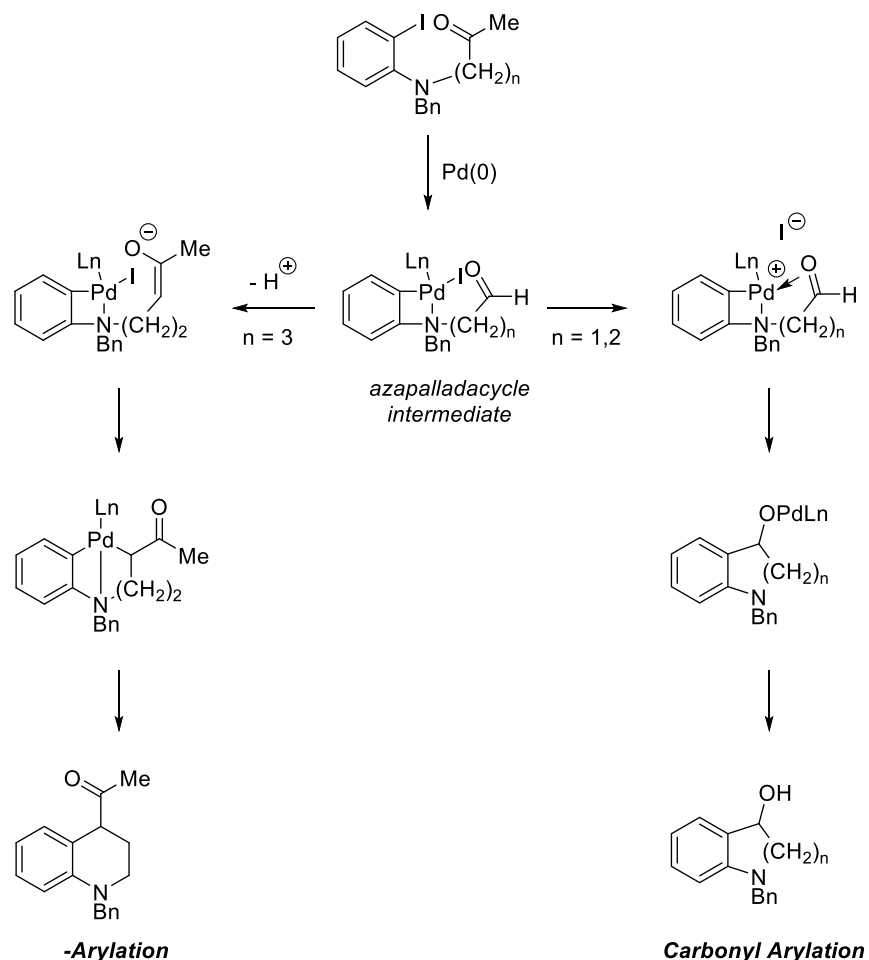
Palladium catalyzed reductive coupling of aryl halides with ketones are all intramolecular cyclization. The first example of Grignard-type nucleophilic addition of aryl bromides to ketones was reported by Yamamoto and co-workers in 2000 (Scheme 1.15)⁶⁵. In the presence of $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$ and PCy_3 , *o*-bromophenyl ketones were converted to the cyclization adducts with 1-hexanol as reductant. Other alcohols, such as 1-pentanol and 1-propanol gave equally efficiency in the reaction as reductant. Both aromatic and aliphatic

Scheme 1.15 Pd-Catalyzed Intramolecular Reductive Coupling of Aryl Halides with Aldehydes to Form the Cyclization Adducts.



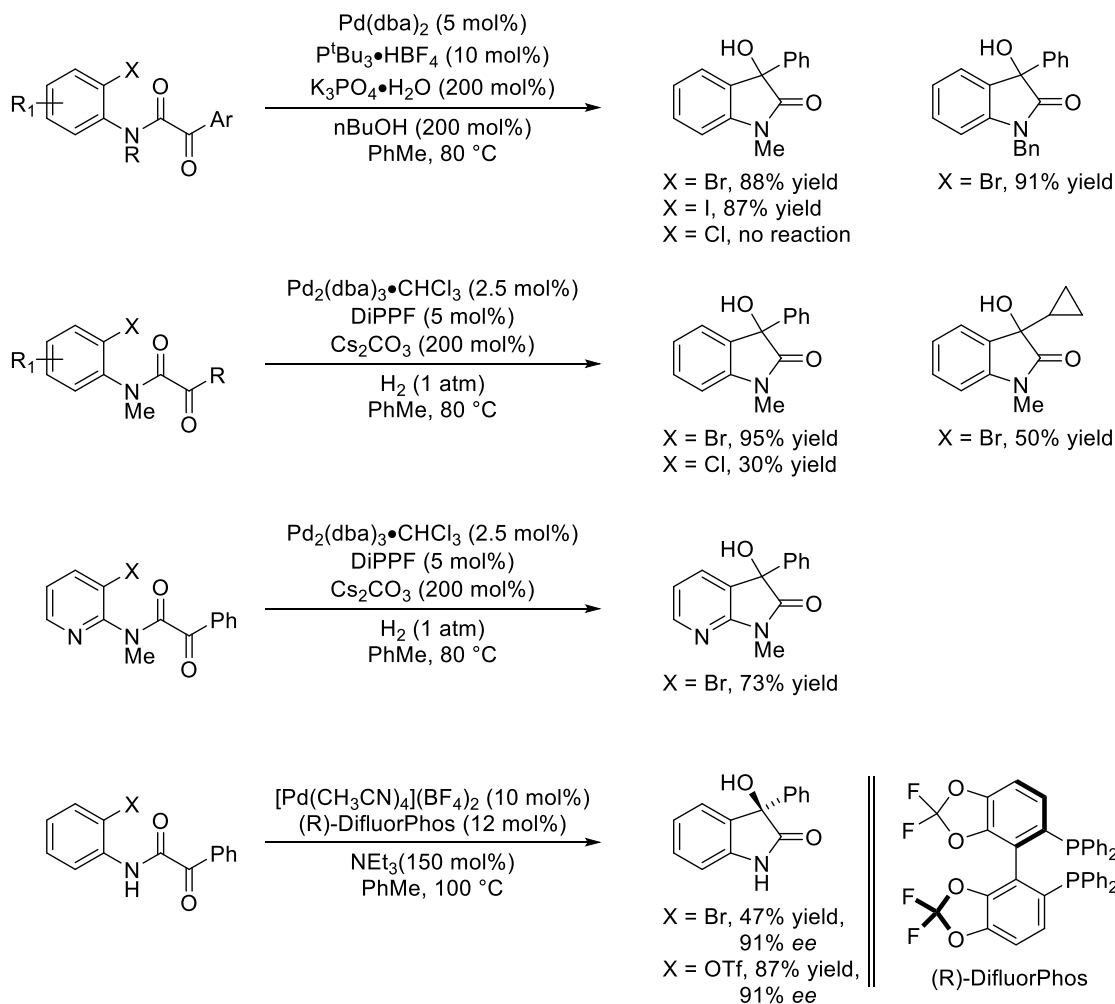
ketones underwent the arylation, which could get access to five- and six-member ring containing products. In 2001, Solé, Bonjoch and co-workers reported triethylamine mediated intramolecular annulation of 2-haloanilines and ketones⁶⁶. From the carbonyl addition adducts, which were further subjected to trifluoroacetic acid, indole derivatives were obtained in good yields. In the course of studies, a competing cyclization pathway, which is enolate arylation, was observed and found to be depending on the structure of the starting amino-ketone. Through further studies⁶⁷, the catalytic mechanism for the intramolecular cyclization was proposed (Scheme 1.16). Oxidative addition of aryl halide to palladium(0) to form the four-membered azapalladacycle, which could undergo facile addition to the carbonyl group. The carbonyl addition is a consequence of the coordination of amino group to palladium, which facilitated the chelation between carbonyl and palladium and further triggered the carbonyl addition to form the palladium alkoxide intermediate.

Scheme 1.16 Proposed Mechanism for α -Arylation and Carbonyl Addition of 2-Haloanilino Ketones.



In 2010, Kündig and co-workers reported the synthesis of 3-hydroxyindoles via palladium catalyzed intramolecular cyclization of aryl halides to α -ketoamides in the presence of $n\text{BuOH}$ as terminal reductant with good yields (Scheme 1.17)⁶⁸. Aryl bromide and iodide could both engage in the reductive cyclization with similar isolated yields obtained. In 2015, Krische and co-workers reported the hydrogen-mediated reductive cyclization of haloketones to form 3-hydroxy-2-oxindoles⁶⁹. By using DiPPF-modified palladium, in combination with hydrogen gas as reductant, not only aryl substituted

Scheme 1.17 Pd-Catalyzed Intramolecular Reductive Coupling of Aryl Halides with Aldehydes to Form 3-Hydroxy-2-Oxindoles.



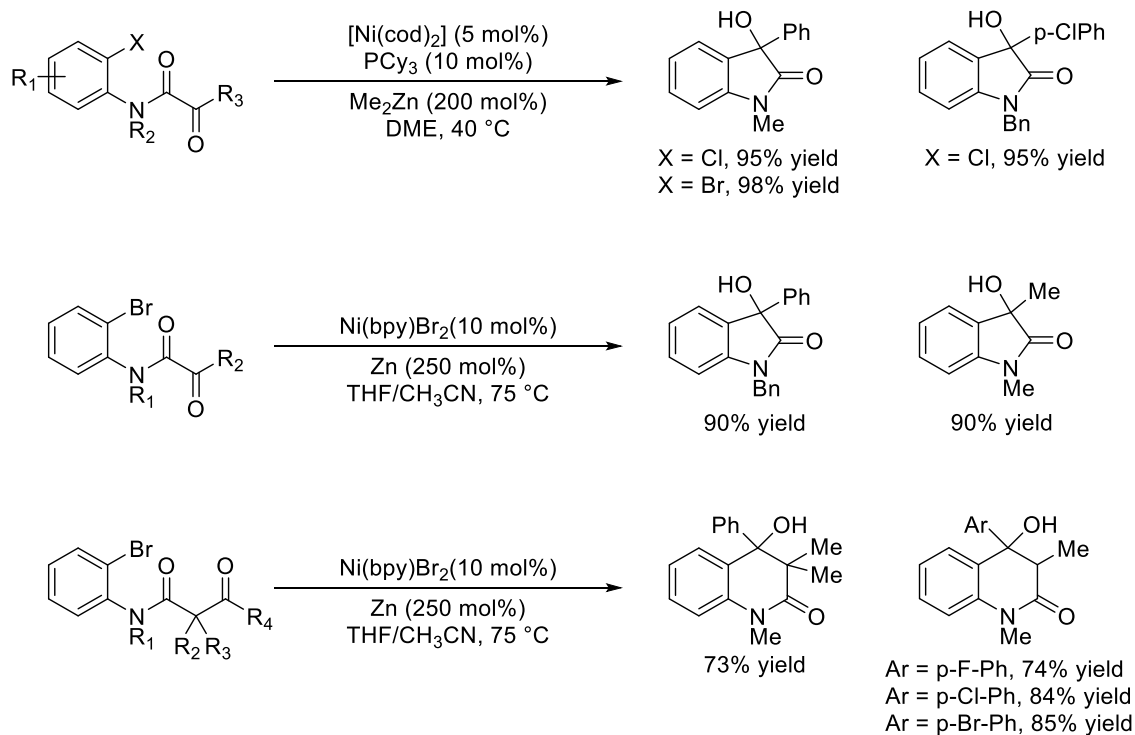
hydroxy oxindoles could be obtained with good yield, heteroaryl and alkyl substituted adducts were isolated with moderate to good yields. Notably, α -ketoamide derived from 2-amino-3-bromopyridine gave good yield under the standard conditions. The asymmetric version of the synthesis of 3-hydroxyindoles with (R)-DifluorPhos-modified palladium complex was reported by Shibasaki, Kanai and co-workers in 2011⁷⁰. When aryl iodide was used, moderate yield and excellent enantioselectivity was obtained. To improve the

reaction efficiency, aryl triflate was used instead of aryl iodide and good yield and high level of enantioselectivity was obtained.

1.3.2 Nickel

In 2011, nickel catalyzed intramolecular reductive coupling of aryl chloride and α -ketoamides mediated by Me_2Zn in DME was reported by Jia, Gao and co-workers (Scheme 1.18)⁷¹. C-Cl bond was successfully activated by electron-rich, bulky phosphine ligand PCy_3 -modified nickel complex. When Et_3B and Zn dust were applied as reductant in the coupling, no desired product was observed. Both aryl chloride and bromides could engage in the carbonyl arylation under standard conditions and comparable yields were obtained.

Scheme 1.18 Ni-Catalyzed Intramolecular Reductive Coupling of Aryl Halides with Ketones.



Notably, chlorine substituents on the aromatic rings remain untouched during the nickel catalyzed reductive coupling, which could be utilized in cross-coupling reaction for further functionalization. Further studies by Jia and co-workers demonstrated the formation of 3-hydroxyoxindole and dihydroquinolinone via nickel-catalyzed zinc mediated intramolecular reductive nucleophilic addition of aryl bromides to ketoamides⁷². In this transformation, monodentate phosphine ligand, such as PCy₃, was not as effective as bidentate chelating ligands, for example, 2,2'-bipyridine(bpy). When α -ketoamides were subjected to the standard conditions, excellent yields of the desired adduct 3-hydroxyoxindoles were obtained. When β -ketoamides were subjected to the standard conditions, dihydroquinolinones were isolated with good yields when at least one methyl group at α -position due to Thorpe-Ingold effect. Also, bromine, chlorine, and fluorine substituents on the aromatic rings were tolerated.

1.4 REDUCTIVE COUPLING WITH ACID CHLORIDES AND ANHYDRIDES

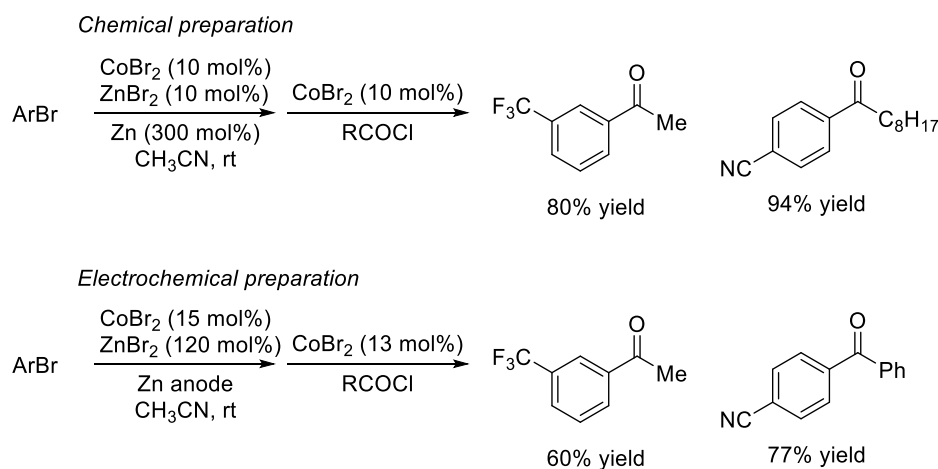
1.4.1 Cobalt

Acid Chlorides are considered ideal carbonyl compounds for reductive coupling reaction due to the higher reactivity. In 2003, Gosmini and co-workers reported the first example of cobalt catalyzed zinc mediated reductive coupling of aryl bromides with acid chloride, which could be used for preparation of aromatic ketones (Scheme 1.19)⁷³. This 2-steps protocol could be conducted in two different manner for the preparation of aryl zinc intermediate, electrochemical and chemical preparations. The mechanism of the reaction was proposed via oxidative addition of acid chloride to Co(I) complex to form the Co(III), which was further converted to arylcobalt(III) via transmetalation with arylzinc reagent

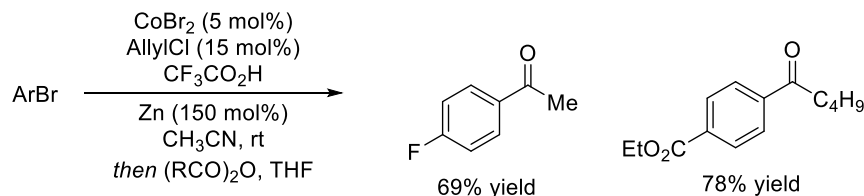
formed in the first step. Final reductive elimination released the aromatic ketones and regenerated Co(I) to close the catalytic cycle.

Related cobalt catalyzed reductive coupling of aryl bromides with acid anhydrides were discovered by Gosmini and co-workers in 2004 (Scheme 1.20)⁷⁴. Aromatic ketones could be obtained in one step due to the lower reactivity of acid anhydride comparing with acid chlorides. Arylzinc was prepared *in situ* under the presence of CoBr₂, allyl chloride and trifluoroacetic acid from aryl bromides and zinc dust. Catalytic amount of allyl chloride was needed in order to enhance the yield of arylzinc species and suppress the formation of reductive dehalogenation adducts. Trifluoroacetic acid was added to activate zinc dust.

Scheme 1.19 Co-Catalyzed Reductive Coupling of Aryl Bromides with Acid Chloride to Form Aromatic Ketones.



Scheme 1.20 Co-Catalyzed Reductive Coupling of Aryl Bromides with Acid Anhydrides to Form Aromatic Ketones.

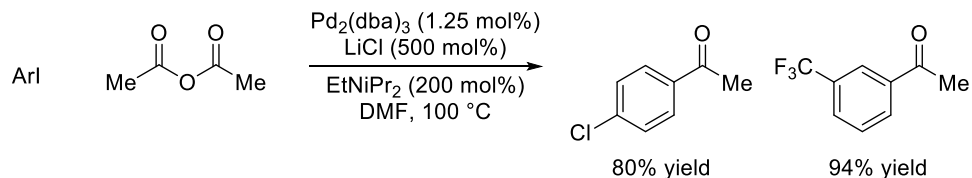


1.4.2 Palladium

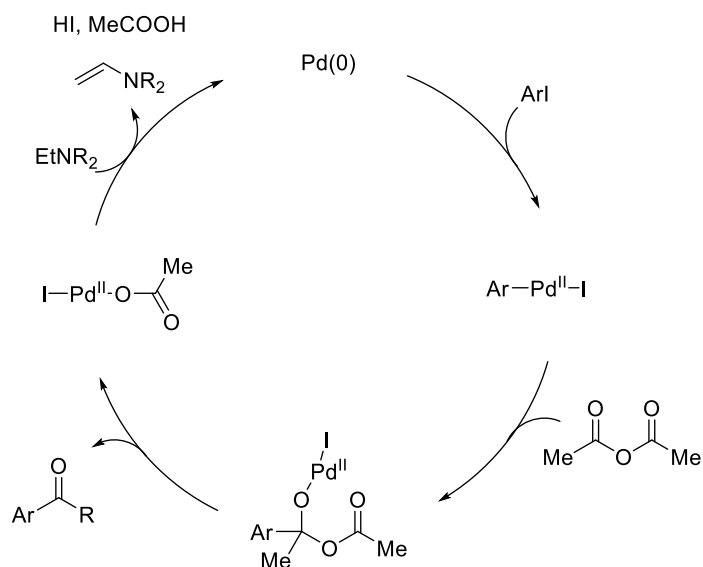
In 2003, Cacchi and co-workers reported the first palladium catalyzed reductive coupling of aryl iodide with acetic anhydride to synthesize acetophenones (Scheme 1.21)⁷⁵. The use of $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3$ in combination with Hünig's base as reductant, and LiCl in DMF at 100°C led to the reductive coupling of acetic anhydride with a wide range of aryl iodides. With LiCl added in the reaction mixture, formation of homocoupling adducts from aryl iodides was suppressed. For the aryl iodides with strong electron-withdrawing substituents, biaryl byproducts from the homocoupling of aryl iodides were isolated in significant yield, even with LiCl in presence. The catalytic mechanism was proposed (Scheme 1.22). Oxidative addition of aryl iodides to palladium(0) followed by carbonyl insertion to the aryl-Pd bond delivered alkoxy-palladium intermediate. Acetophenone adduct was released via β -elimination and palladium(0) was regenerated by tertiary amine mediated reduction.

In 2004, Cacchi and co-workers reported palladium catalyzed reductive coupling of aryl iodides with a mixed anhydride, acetic formic anhydride, which could be readily prepared from acetyl chloride and sodium formate (Scheme 1.23)⁷⁶. In the presence of $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3$, dppe, Hünig's base and Et_3SiH as reducing agent in MeCN at 60°C, diverse aryl iodides with various functional groups, including, ether, ester, amide, carboxylic acid and ketone, were converted to aldehydes with good yields. For electron poor aryl iodides, LiCl was added to obtain higher yields. This protocol demonstrated the palladium catalyzed carbonylation of aryl halides could be achieved by coupling with acetic formic anhydride instead of using pressurized toxic carbon monoxide gas.

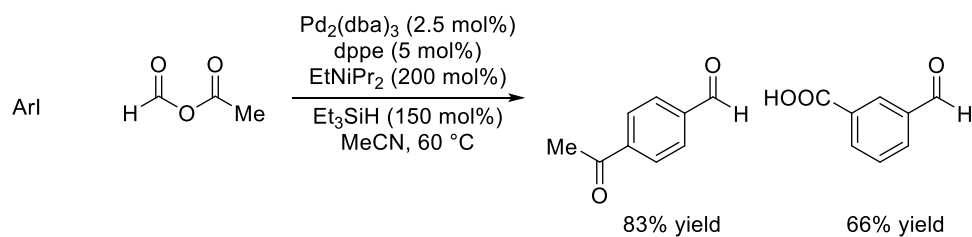
Scheme 1.21 Pd-Catalyzed Reductive Coupling of Aryl Iodides and Acetic Anhydride to Form Acetophenones.



Scheme 1.22 Proposed Mechanism for Pd-Catalyzed Reductive Coupling of Aryl Iodides and Acetic Anhydride to Form Acetophenones.



Scheme 1.23 Pd-Catalyzed Reductive Coupling of Aryl Iodides and Acetic Formic Anhydride to Form Aldehydes.

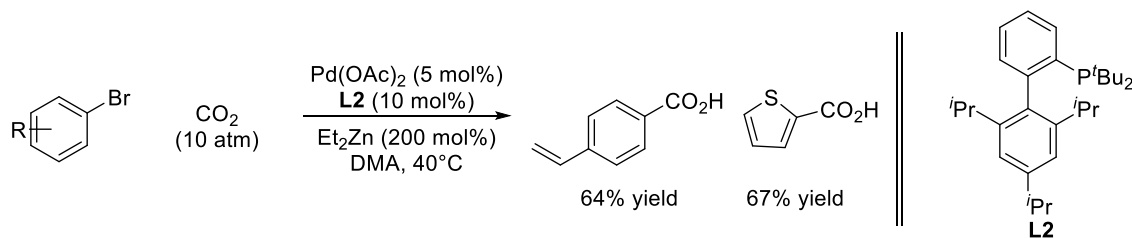


1.5 REDUCTIVE COUPLING WITH CARBON DIOXIDE

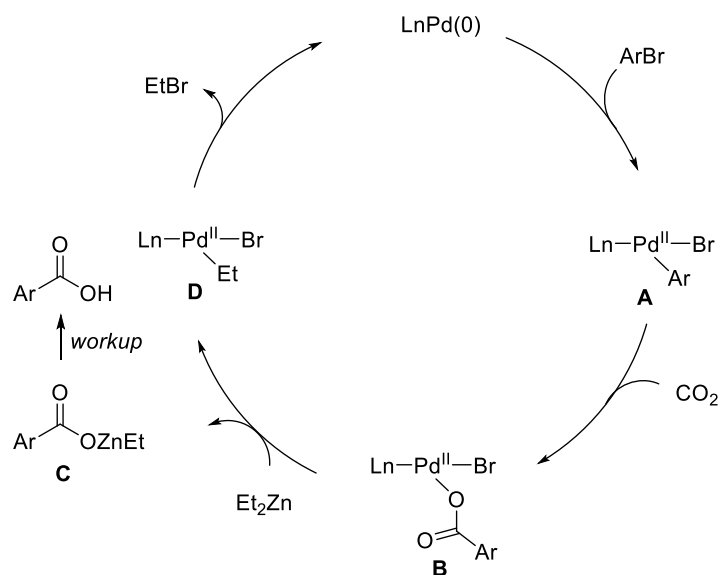
1.5.1 Palladium

In 2009, Martin and co-workers discovered the first palladium catalyzed reductive carboxylation of aryl bromides with carbon dioxide to form benzoic acids (Scheme 1.24)⁷⁷. In this catalytic process, diethylzinc was used as reducing agent. The choice of ligand is crucial in promoting the efficient nucleophilic addition to carbon dioxide. The use of DMA favored the carboxylation over other byproducts. The best isolation yield (64%) of carboxylic acid adduct was obtained when the reaction was conducted under higher pressure of carbon dioxide (10 atm). Aryl bromides with diverse substituents were subjected to the optimal conditions and the desired reductive coupling adducts were delivered smoothly with moderate to good yields. Various functional groups, including amine, ether, thioether, olefin, ester, ketone, aldehyde, epoxide, and heterocycle, were tolerated. Notably, aryl chloride remained untouched under the standard conditions. The palladium catalyzed mechanism for the reductive coupling of aryl bromides with carbon dioxide was proposed based on the experimental results (Scheme 1.25). Initially, oxidative addition of aryl bromides to palladium(0) followed by carbon dioxide carbonyl insertion into the aryl-Pd bond delivered palladium carboxylate B. Subsequent transmetalation with diethyl zinc released the zinc carboxylate C, which was further converted to the carboxylic acid via workup, and palladium(II) complex D. Final reductive elimination regenerated the palladium(0) catalyst and closed the catalytic cycle.

Scheme 1.24 Pd-Catalyzed Reductive Coupling of Aryl Bromides and Carbon Dioxide to Form Carboxylic Acids.



Scheme 1.25 Proposed Mechanism for Pd-Catalyzed Reductive Coupling of Aryl Bromides and Carbon Dioxide to Form Carboxylic Acids.

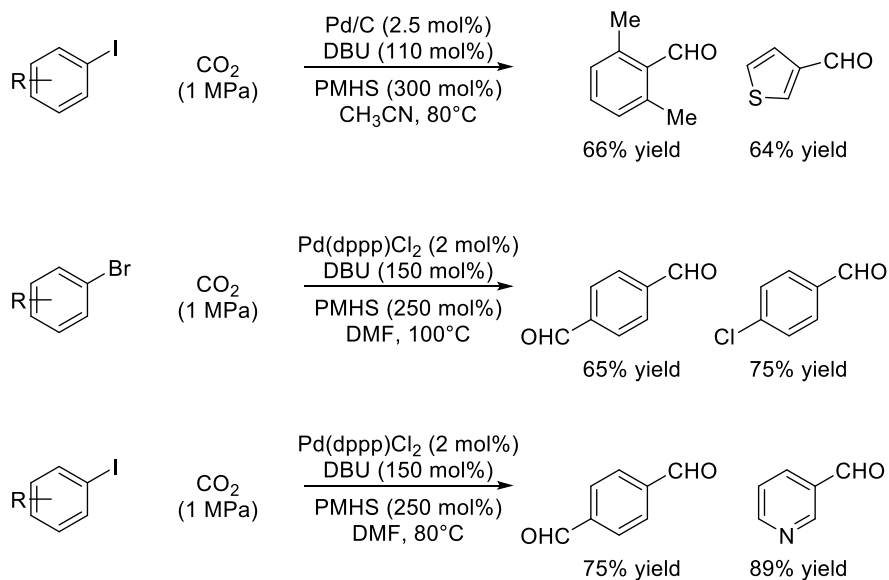


In 2014, Liu and co-workers reported the Pd/C-catalyzed direct formylation of aryl iodides by reductive coupling with carbon dioxide (Scheme 1.26)⁷⁸. Due to the thermodynamic stability of carbon dioxide, direct functionalization is usually not easy. While it was found that hydrosilylation of carbon dioxide made it could be functionalized under relative milder conditions. In the presence of Pd/C, poly(methylhydrosiloxane) (PMHS), and DBU, reductive coupling of aryl iodides with carbon dioxide in acetonitrile under 80°C delivered the desired aldehydes with moderate to good isolation yields. The use of DBU as base is important for the formation of aldehydes. When inorganic carbonates

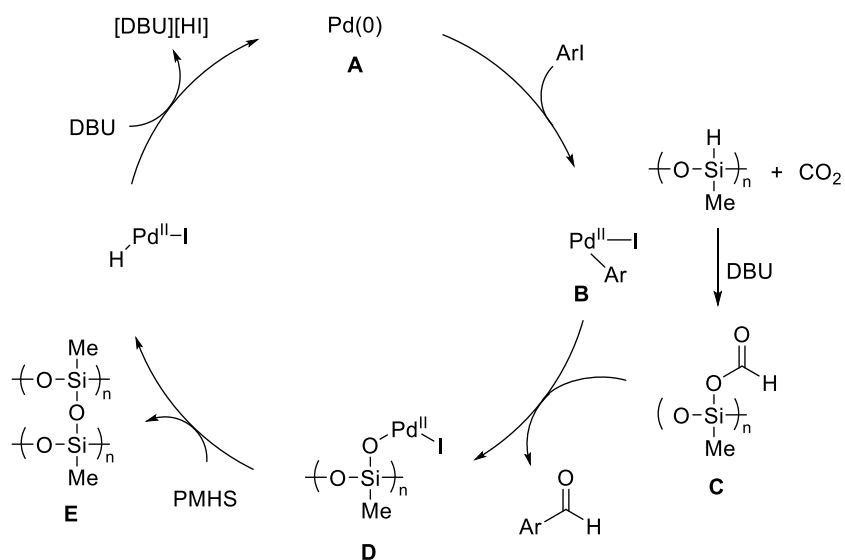
were used as base in the reaction, no aldehydes were obtained and biaryl compounds were isolated with high yields, which formed via homocoupling of aryl iodides. A wide range of aryl iodides were subjected to the reaction condition and aldehydes were obtained with moderate to good yields. Ortho-substituents didn't affect the reaction efficiency. Notably, electron-poor aryl iodides didn't engage in the coupling effectively due to the competing dehalogenation pathway. The catalytic mechanism for the silane mediated formation of aldehydes by coupling of aryl iodide and carbon dioxide was proposed (Scheme 1.27). Initially, oxidative addition of aryl iodide to palladium(0) led to the formation arylpalladium(II) complex B. Formation of silyl formate C from carbon dioxide and PMHS in the presence of DBU was confirmed by ^1H NMR analysis. Addition of aryl group to silyl formate C generated aldehyde together with silyloxypalladium complex D, which further reacted with PMHS to form polysiloxane E and palladium(II) hydride. Upon DBU facilitated reductive elimination of HI, palladium(0) was regenerated.

Later in 2016, further studies by Liu and co-workers discovered a more general and efficient palladium catalytic system for formylation of aryl halides with carbon dioxides mediated by PMHS⁷⁹. In the presence of 1,3-bis(diphenylphosphino)propane-modified palladium dichloride complex with DBU, less reactive aryl bromides were converted to aromatic aldehydes with good yields in DMF at 100°C. Aryl iodides were also successfully converted to the corresponding adducts under same reaction conditions at slightly lower temperature (80°C).

Scheme 1.26 Pd-Catalyzed Reductive Coupling of Aryl Halides and Carbon Dioxide to Form Aldehydes.

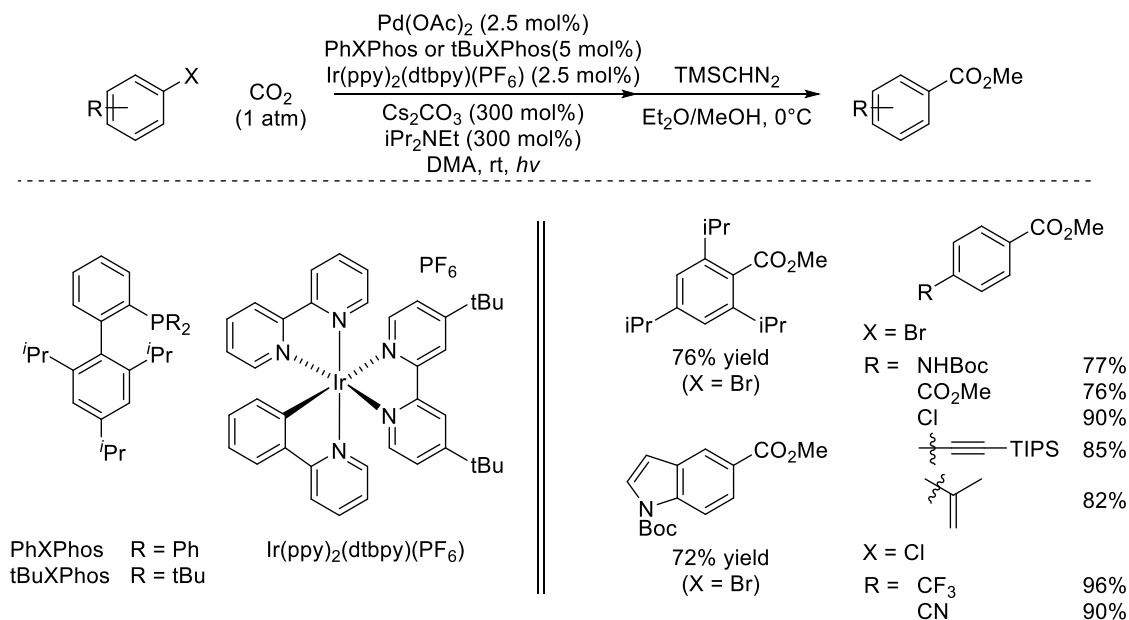


Scheme 1.27 Proposed Mechanism for Pd-Catalyzed PMHS Mediated Reductive Coupling of Aryl Halides and Carbon Dioxide to Form Aldehydes

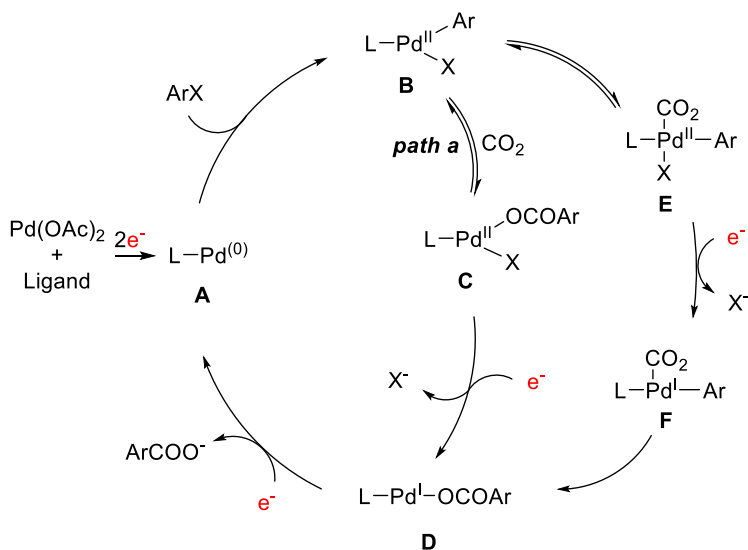


In 2017, visible-light-driven carboxylation of aryl halides with carbon dioxide was reported by Iwasawa and co-workers using palladium and photoredox dual catalysis (Scheme 1.28)⁸⁰. Notably, the reaction was conducted under 1 atm carbon dioxide and light irradiation in the presence of Pd(OAc)₂, PhXPhos, Ir(ppy)₂(dtbpy)(PF₆), Cs₂CO₃ as base, and Hünig's base as reductant in DMA at rt, which were very mild conditions. A wide range of aryl bromides and chlorides were converted to carboxylic acids, which were further treated with trimethylsilyldiazomethane (TMSCHN₂) to give the corresponding methyl esters. Steric hindered aryl halide 2,4,6-triisopropylbromobenzene was converted to the corresponding methyl ester with 76% yield. The activation of C-Br bond was achieved selectively in the presence of C-Cl bond, which was demonstrated with formation of 4-chlorobenzoate from 4-chlorobromobenzene. The mechanism for this transformation was proposed with two major possible pathways (Scheme 1.29). After the oxidative addition of aryl halide to palladium(0) to form arylpalladium(II) complex B, two possible palladium species were proposed. One was palladium(II) carboxylate species formed by direct insertion of carbon dioxide into Ar-Pd bond (pathway a), which underwent photoredox-catalyzed one-electron reduction to form palladium(I) carboxylate species D. Subsequent one-electron reduction of complex D released the coupling adduct and regenerated palladium(0). Another possible pathway was via coordination of carbon dioxide to form palladium(II) complex E, which underwent one-electron reduction first to form arylpalladium(I) complex F (pathway b). Subsequent addition of aryl group to carbon dioxide gave the palladium(I) carboxylate intermediate D, which underwent same process to close the catalytic cycle.

Scheme 1.28 Pd- and Photoredox-Catalyzed Reductive Coupling of Aryl Halides and Carbon Dioxide to Form the Corresponding Methyl Esters.



Scheme 1.29 Proposed Mechanism for Pd- and Photoredox-Catalyzed Reductive Coupling of Aryl Halides and Carbon Dioxide to Form the Corresponding Methyl Ester.



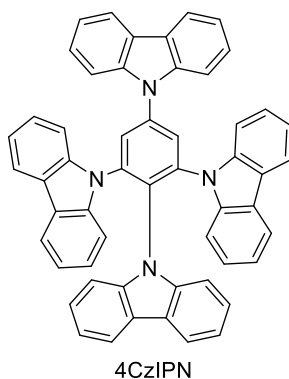
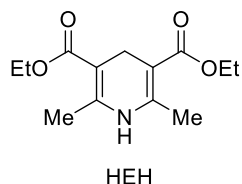
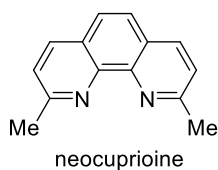
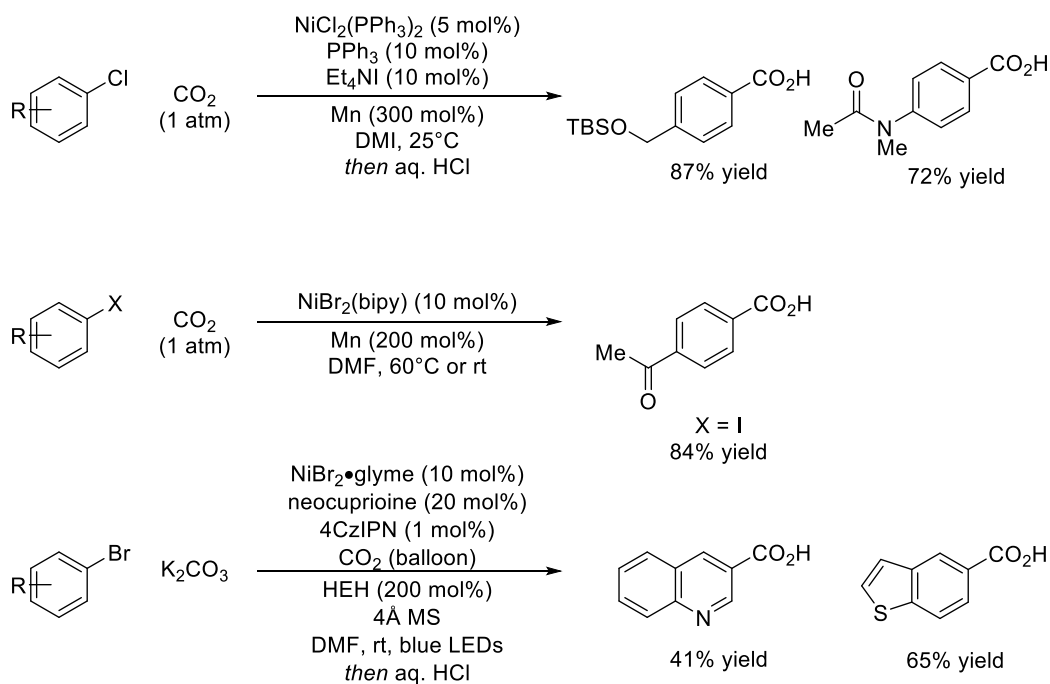
1.5.2 Nickel

In 2012, Tsuji and co-workers reported the first nickel catalyzed reductive carboxylation of aryl chlorides to form benzoic acids under mild conditions (Scheme 1.30)⁸¹. It was found that in the presence of $\text{NiCl}_2(\text{PPh}_3)_2$, PPh_3 , Et_4NI , manganese powder aryl chlorides were converted to benzoic acids with good to excellent yield in 1,3-dimethyl-2-imidazolidinone (DMI) at room temperature under 1 atm carbon dioxide. Addition of PPh_3 was found to enhance the reaction efficiency by improving yield and suppressing formation of byproduct. When Et_4NI was omitted, desired coupling product was obtained only in trace amount. The role of catalytic amount of Et_4NI was believed to assist the electron transfer from manganese metal to nickel via the bridging of the iodide ion. Diverse aryl chlorides were evaluated under the standard conditions, and various functional groups, including silyl ether, ester, amide, boronic ester and ketone, were tolerant. Aryl bromide, tosylate and triflate were converted to the same carboxylation products under similar reaction conditions. A possible catalytic mechanism was proposed (Scheme 1.31). Zero valent nickel was generated in situ from nickel(II) through reduction. Oxidative addition of aryl chloride to nickel(0) gave arylnickel(II) species, which was reduced to arylnickel(I) by manganese metal. Subsequent insertion of carbon dioxide to aryl-Ni bond to deliver nickel carboxylate intermediate followed by reduction regenerated zero valent nickel and released coupling adduct. Later in 2013, DFT studies on the nickel catalyzed carboxylation of aryl chloride with carbon dioxide were conducted by Sakaki and co-workers⁸². Formation of arylnickel(I) intermediate was proved to be the key intermediate for the carboxylation reaction.

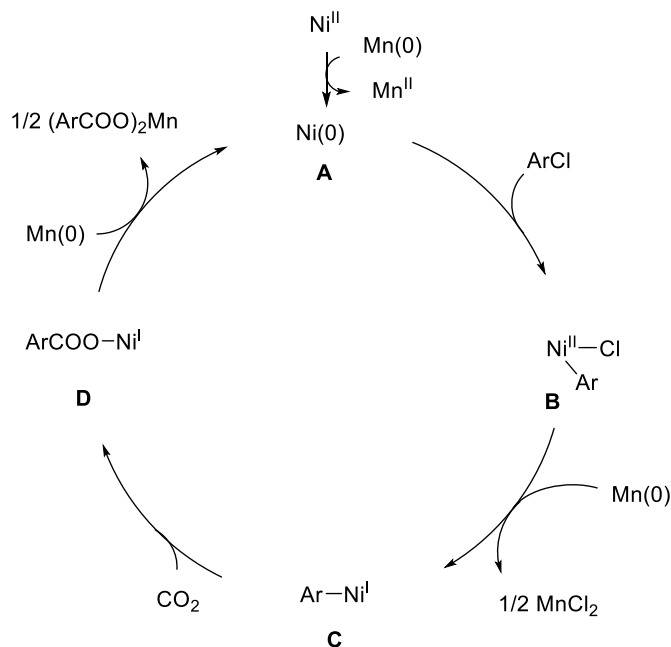
In 2016, Durandetti and co-workers reported the direct carbonylation of aryl tosylates with carbon dioxide by nickel catalysis⁸³. It was found that in the presence of $\text{NiBr}_2(\text{bipy})$, and manganese powder, aryl tosylates could be converted to carboxylic acids

in DMF under 1 atm carbon dioxide at 60°C. When aryl iodide was subjected to the standard conditions at room temperature, benzoic acid was obtained with good yield.

Scheme 1.30 Nickel Catalyzed Reductive Coupling of Aryl Halides and Carbon Dioxide to Form Carboxylic Acids.

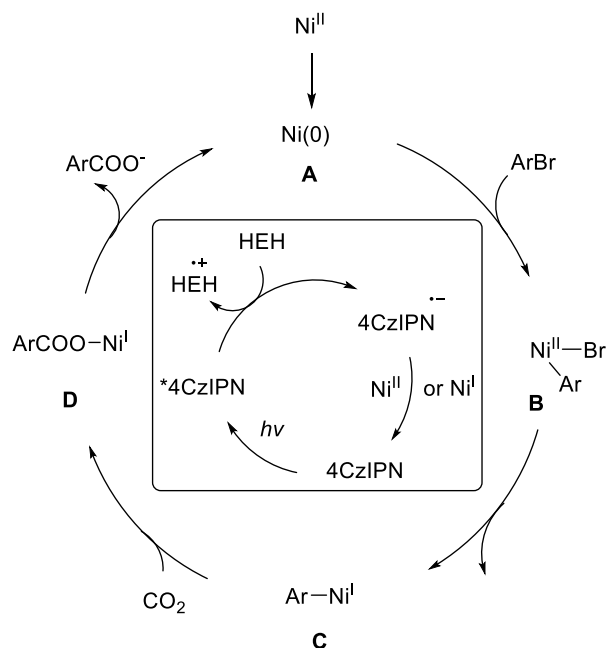


Scheme 1.31 Proposed Mechanism for Nickel Catalyzed Reductive Coupling of Aryl Halides and Carbon Dioxide to Form Carboxylic Acids.



In 2017, carboxylation of aryl bromides and triflates with carbon dioxide by nickel-photo dual catalysis, whereas K_2CO_3 was used as the source of carbon dioxide, was reported by König and co-workers⁸⁴. In the combination of $\text{NiBr}_2 \cdot \text{glyme}$, neocuprioine, organic photosensitizer and Hantzsch ester (HEH) as reducing agent, carboxylation adducts of aryl bromides were obtained in moderate to good yield under room temperature with visible-light irradiation. A broad range of functional groups, including free alcohol, ether, ester, ketone, Boc-protected aniline, and cyano group, were tolerant under the standard conditions. Heteroaromatic bromides were also successfully converted to the corresponding heteroaromatic carboxylic acids with moderate yields. Catalytic mechanism was also proposed through insertion of carbon dioxide into arylnickel(I) intermediate (Scheme 1.32).

Scheme 1.32 Proposed Mechanism for Nickel-Photo Dual Catalyzed Reductive Coupling of Aryl Bromides and Carbon Dioxide to Form Carboxylic Acids.

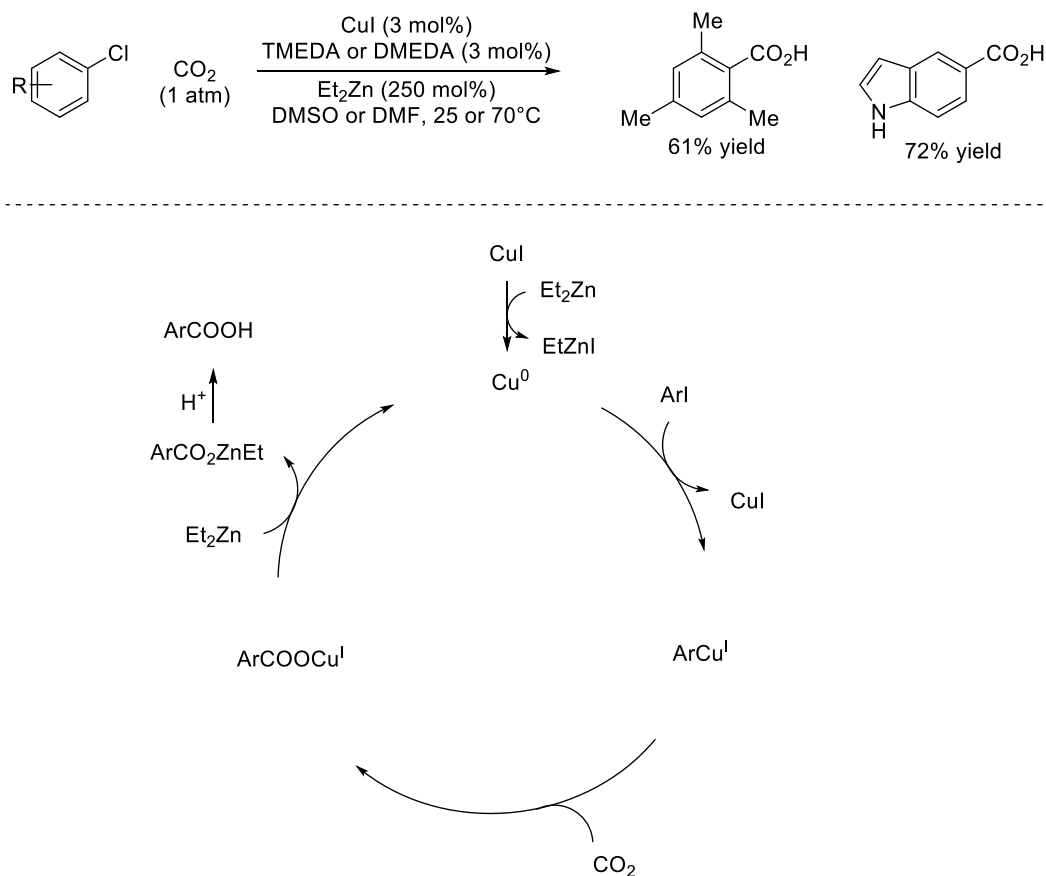


1.5.3 Copper

There's only one report on copper catalyzed carboxylation of aryl iodide with carbon dioxide by Daugulis and co-workers in 2013 (Scheme 1.33)⁸⁵. It was found that with CuI, DMEDA or TMEDA and Et₂Zn as reductant, aryl iodides were converted to the corresponding carboxylic acid with 1 atm carbon dioxide at 25 or 70°C. Diverse aryl bromides were evaluated under the standard conditions, and carboxylic acids with various functional groups, such as ketone, ester, and hydroxy group, were obtained with moderate to good yields. Steric hindered substrate iodomesitylene engaged in the reductive coupling effectively. Aryl iodides could be selectively activated by copper catalyst in the presence of lower halides. The possible reaction mechanism was proposed by starting with reduction of copper(I) to zero valent copper by Et₂Zn. Oxidative addition of aryl iodide to zero valent copper afforded arylcopper(I) species, which reacted with carbon dioxide to form copper(I)

carboxylate intermediate. Reduction of copper(I) carboxylate with Et_2Zn regenerated the zero valent copper and released the coupling adduct.

Scheme 1.33 Copper Catalyzed Reductive Coupling of Aryl Iodides and Carbon Dioxide to Form Carboxylic Acids.



1.6 REDUCTIVE COUPLING WITH ISOCYANATES AND OTHER CARBONYL SOURCES

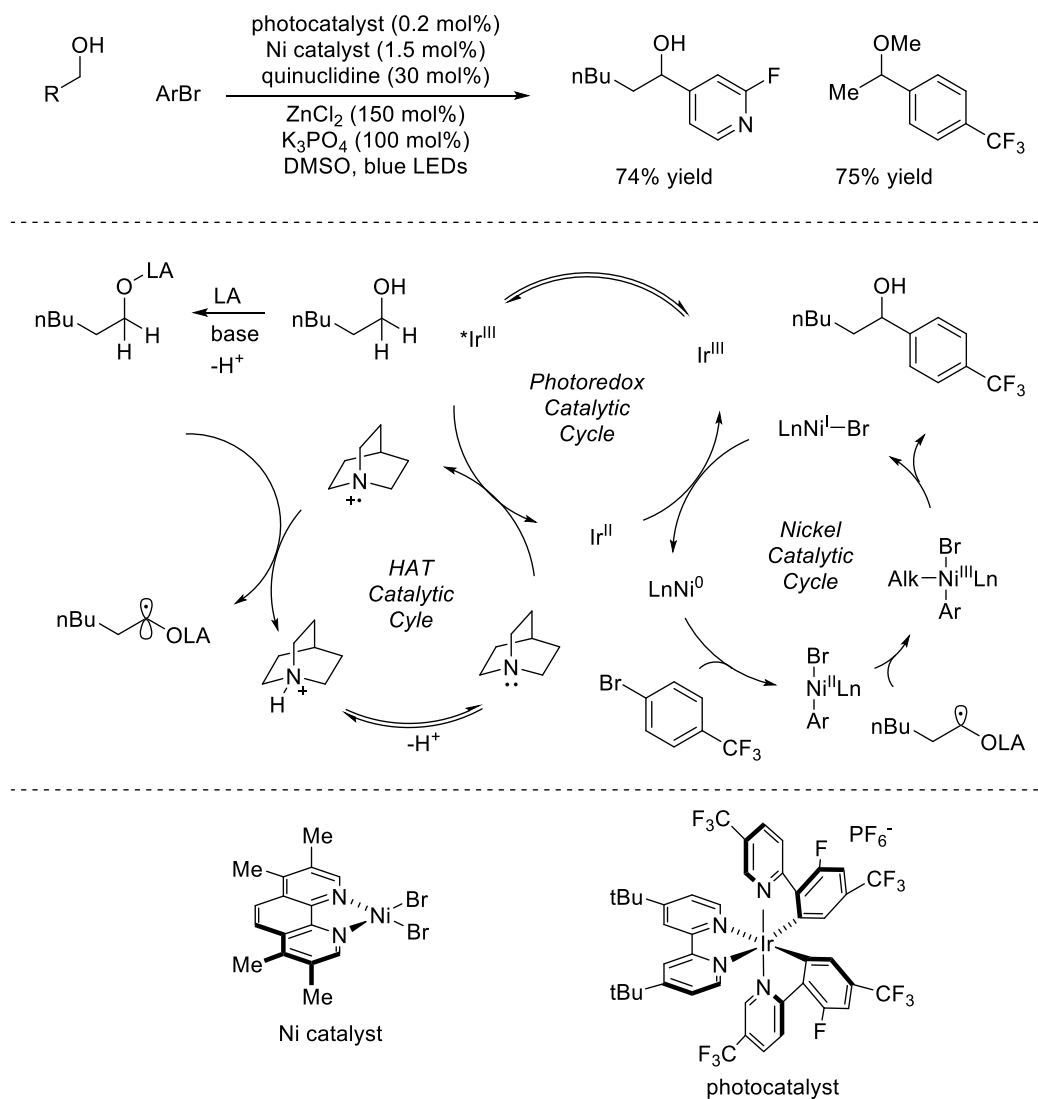
1.6.1 Nickel

Isocyanate derivatives are very reactive species, which are potential good electrophiles for reductive coupling reactions⁸⁶. The first nickel catalyzed reductive coupling of aryl iodides with isocyanates was reported by Cheng and co-worker in 2005

(Scheme 1.34)⁸⁷. Treatment of methyl ortho-iodobenzoate with aryl iodides in combination with NiBr₂(dppe), dppe, Et₃N, and zinc as reductant in acetonitrile at 80°C, led to formation of isoindoline-1,3-dione with moderate to excellent yields. The catalytic system could be applied to simple aryl iodides and bromides for the reductive coupling with isocyanates to form amides. It was observed that aryl bromides led to higher yields comparing with aryl iodides, which was due to more dimerization products of aryl halides were obtained when aryl iodides were used.

In 2014, Martin and co-workers reported a nickel catalyzed reductive amidation by coupling of pivalates or tosylates with isocyanates⁸⁸. Limited aryl chlorides were also evaluated under reductive coupling conditions, and good yields were obtained in the presence of NiCl₂·glyme, dppf, NaI, and Mn powder as reductant at room temperature. Addition of NaI suppressed the competing dimerization, which was observed in other literature.

Scheme 1.34 Nickel Catalyzed Reductive Coupling of Aryl Halides and Isocyanates.

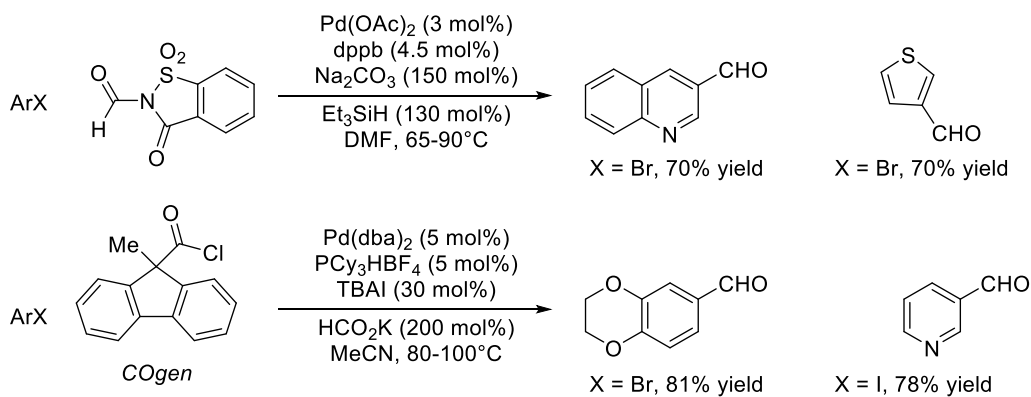


iridium(III) photocatalyst, which could oxidize HAT catalyst quinuclidine to deliver the radical cation and iridium(II) complex. Lewis acid facilitated deprotonation followed by hydrogen atom abstraction afforded α -alkoxy radical, which could combine with arylnickel(II) generated through oxidative addition of aryl bromide to nickel(0). Subsequent reductive elimination furnished benzylic alcohol and nickel(I) species, which was reduced to zero valent form by iridium(II) via single-electron transfer.

1.6.2 Palladium

In 2013, Manabe and co-workers reported a palladium catalyzed reductive carbonylation of aryl halides with N-formylsaccharin as carbon monoxide surrogate (Scheme 1.37)⁹¹. N-formylsaccharin was first developed by Cossy and co-workers and used as formylating agent of amines⁹². In the same year, Skrydstrup and co-workers reported a protocol to synthesize aryl aldehydes by reductive coupling of aryl halides with 9-methylfluorene-9-carbonyl chloride (COgen)⁹³. In the presence of Pd(dba)₂, PCy₃HBF₄, TBAI, and HCO₂K as reductant, diverse aryl bromide and iodides were converted to aryl aldehydes with good to excellent yields. Notably, isotope labeled aryl aldehydes could be obtained when DCO₂K or ¹³COgen were used in the coupling.

Scheme 1.37 Palladium Catalyzed Reductive Coupling of Aryl Halides and Carbon Monoxide Surrogates.



1.7 CONCLUSION

Metal-catalyzed reductive coupling of aryl halides with carbonyl compounds were developed as an alternative to addition of organometallic reagents but challenges remain. For example, enantioselective reductive coupling of aryl halides with carbonyl compounds has not been exploited much and only one example showed above. Also, reductive coupling via hydrogen autotransfer will be a more ideal protocol considering about reaction economy.

Chapter 2: Enantioselective Ruthenium Catalyzed Redox-Triggered Carbonyl Allylation Using Alkynes as Chiral Allylmetal Equivalents via Allene Hydrometalation*

2.1 INTRODUCTION

Carbonyl addition reactions are one of the most important methods to construct new carbon-carbon (C-C) bond, and especially carbonyl allylation has been widely used in organic synthesis.¹ In enantioselective carbonyl allylation, preformed allylmetal reagents modified by chiral auxiliaries were first proved to be efficient.² Achiral allylmetal reagents used together with chiral catalysts became an alternative to chiral allylmetal reagents.³ Nozaki-Hiyama-Kishi type allylation⁴ by direct coupling of aldehydes with allylic halides was developed, which allows people to form the new C-C bond without intervening preformed metal reagents, but the use of toxic chromium(II) salts was not ideal. Also metal catalyzed umpoled reactions⁵ coupling with allylic carboxylates usually require stoichiometric metallic reductants. In recent years, Krische group has developed transition metal catalyzed redox-neutral enantioselective carbonyl allylations⁶ by exploiting the reductive property of alcohols, which enable direct conversion of primary alcohols to secondary alcohols, and different pronucleophiles (allylic carboxylates,⁷ dienes,⁸ and allenes⁹) were able to engage in carbonyl allylation reactions (Scheme 2.1).

In 2009, Obora and Ishii reported iridium catalyzed carbonyl aryl allylation by coupling of 1-aryl-1-propynes and alcohols, where alkynes was proposed to go through iridium catalyzed isomerization to allenes followed by hydrometalation to form iridium allyl intermediate.¹⁰ In 2014, Krische group reported the ruthenium catalyzed formation of (Z)-homoallylic alcohols by coupling of primary alcohol and 2-alkynes via alkyne to allene isomerization followed by allene carbonyl oxidative coupling.¹¹ So in this chapter,

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Scheme 2.1 Enantioselective Carbonyl Allylation Strategies.

Allyl Acetates,
 Dienes, Allenes

OH
 R^2

Chiral
 Ir- or Ru-Catalyst

(eq. 2)
 Refs. 6-9

R^1

> 90% ee
 many variations

[H] \longleftrightarrow [O]

Redox Pair

(eq. 3)
 Ref. 14

$\text{H}_2\text{Ru}(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)_3$ (5 mol%)
 $2,4,6\text{-}(i\text{-Pr})_3\text{PhSO}_3\text{H}$ (5 mol%)
 SL-J009-1 (5 mol%), Bu_4NI (10 mol%)
 2-PrOH (200 mol%)
 THF (1 M), 95°C

$61 - 90\%$ Yield
 $>20:1$ dr, 96% ee
 18 Examples

2.2 REACTION DEVELOPMENT AND SCOPE

Starting from the established condition for the formation of linear (Z)-homoallylic alcohol **2.4a** by coupling of 4-methyl-2-pentyne **2.1a** and *p*-bromobenzyl alcohol **2.2a**, it was found that addition of catalytic amount of Bu₄NI suppressed the formation of linear homoallylic alcohol **2.4a** (Table 2.1, entry 2). By introducing of bidentate phosphine ligand dppf, a mixture of both linear adduct **2.4a** and desired branched adduct **2.3a** was obtained (Table 2.1, entry 3). Combination of catalytic Bu₄NI and dppf gave only branched homoallylic alcohol **2.3a** in 83% yield as a 15:1 (*anti:syn*) diastereomeric mixture (Table 2.1, entry 4). By screening of different bidentate phosphine ligands, single *anti*-diastereomer of branched adduct **2.3a** could be obtained with more electron rich ligands, like dippf and dCypb (Table 2.1, entry 5 and 7).

With these promising results, diverse chiral chelating phosphine ligands were examined. Good level of enantioselectivity was obtained with utilizing the Josiphos ligands SL-J009-1 and SL-J002-1 (Table 2.1, entry 8 and 9). By lowering the loading of additive 2,4,6-tri(2-propyl)-phenylsulfonic acid (5 mol%), desired branched allylation product **2.3a** was obtained in excellent yield and enantiomeric excess using both SL-J009-1 and SL-J002-1 (Table 2.1, entry 10 and 11).

SL-J009-1 was used as the optimal ligand in this transformation due to the generality in substrate scope. Catalytic amount of the 2,4,6-tri(2-propyl)-phenylsulfonic acid was necessary in the reaction because it suppressed the formation of over-oxidation ketone product. Also, in the absence of 2-PrOH, lower yield of desired product **2.3a** was obtained due to the accumulation of unreacted aldehyde, which formed from oxidation of the primary alcohol **2.2a** *in situ*.

With the optimized condition in hand, a variety range of alcohols **2.2a-2.2l** were

Table 2.1 Selective Optimizations of Formation of Branched Adduct **2.3a** by Partitioning of Hydrometalation and Oxidative Pathways.

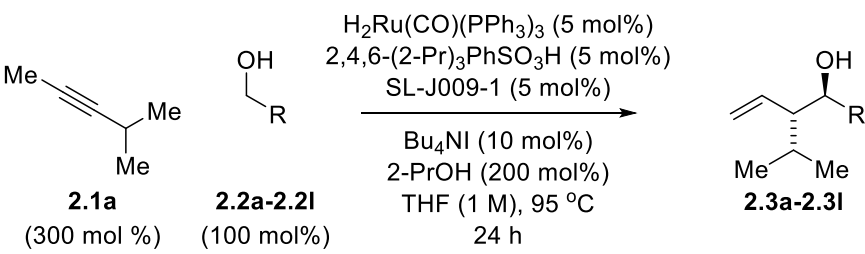
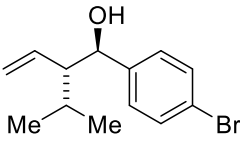
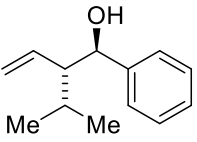
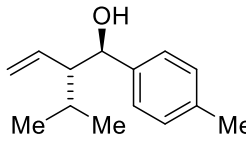
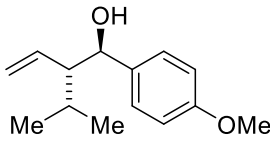
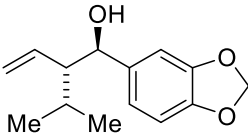
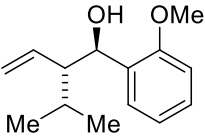
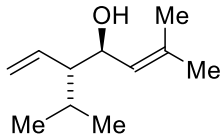
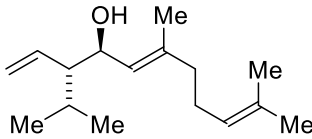
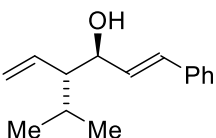
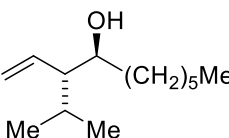
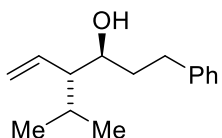
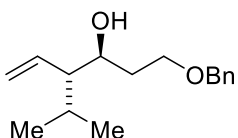
Entry	Bu ₄ NI	ligand	2.3a (yield, dr)	2.4a (yield, Z:E)
1 ^b	-	-	-	70%, >20:1
2	(10 mol%)	-	-	24%, 10:1
3	-	dppf	21%, 7:1	16%, 5:1
4	(10 mol%)	dppf	83%, 15:1	-
5	(10 mol%)	dippf	57%, >20:1	-
6	(10 mol%)	dppb	36%, 13:1	-
7	(10 mol%)	dCypb	49%, >20:1	-
8	(10 mol%)	SL-J009-1	59%, >20:1, 84% ee	-
9	(10 mol%)	SL-J002-1	86%, >20:1, 80% ee	-
10 ^c	(10 mol%)	SL-J002-1	86%, >20:1, 94% ee	-
11 ^{c,d}	(10 mol%)	SL-J009-1	79%, >20:1, 94% ee	-

<p>dppf, R = Ph dippf, R = 2-Pr</p>	<p>dppb, R = Ph dCypb, R = Cy</p>	<p>SL-J002-1, R = Ph SL-J009-1, R = Cy</p>
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^aYields are material isolated by silica gel chromatography. See supporting Information for further experimental details. ^b2,4,6-(2-Pr)₃PhSO₃H (14 mol%). ^c2,4,6-(2-Pr)₃PhSO₃H (5 mol%). ^dTHF (1.0 M).

evaluated and were able to engage in the formation of branched homoallylic alcohols (Table 2.2). Benzylic alcohols **2.2a-2.2f** were converted to the allylation adducts **2.3a-2.3f**

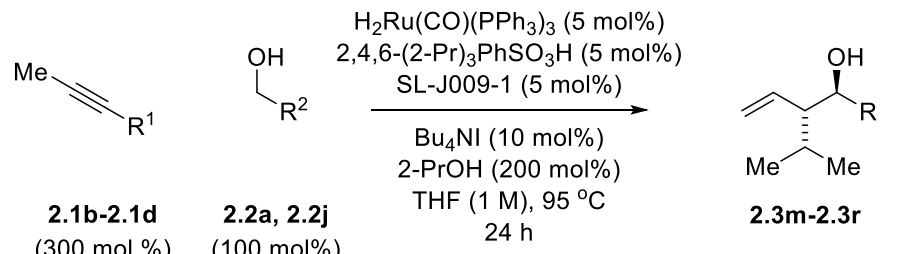
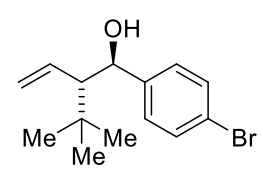
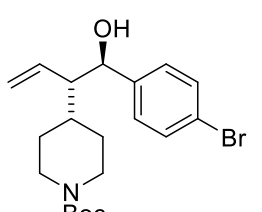
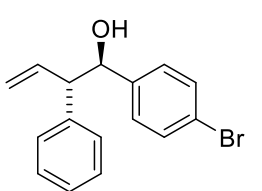
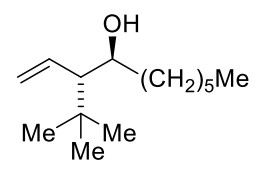
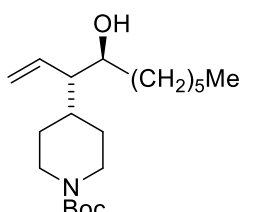
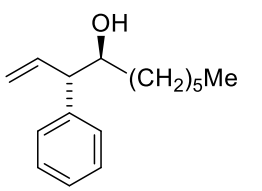
Table 2.2 Diastereoselective and Enantioselective Formation of Branched Homoallylic Alcohol **2.3a-2.3l**.

			
2.1a (300 mol %)	2.2a-2.2l (100 mol %)		2.3a-2.3l
2.2a , R = 4-BrPh	2.2b , R = Ph	2.2c , R = 4-MePh	2.2d , R = 4-MeOPh
2.2e , R = 4-piperonyl	2.2f , R = 2-MeOPh	2.2g , R = HC=CMe ₂	2.2h , geraniol
2.2i , R = HC=CH(Ph)	2.2j , R = (CH ₂) ₇ Me	2.2k , R = (CH ₂) ₂ Ph	2.2l , R = (CH ₂) ₂ OBn
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2.3a , 79% Yield >20:1 dr, 94% ee	2.3b , 82% Yield >20:1 dr, 95% ee	2.3c , 76% Yield >20:1 dr, 95% ee	2.3d , 73% Yield >20:1 dr, 95% ee
			
2.3e , 75% Yield >20:1 dr, 96% ee	2.3f , 76% Yield >20:1 dr, 95% ee	2.3g , 76% Yield >20:1 dr, 95% ee	2.3h , 90% Yield >20:1 dr, 96% ee
			
2.3i , 67% Yield >20:1 dr, 96% ee	2.3j , 72% Yield ^{b,c,d} >20:1 dr, 93% ee	2.3k , 65% Yield ^{b,c} >20:1 dr, 94% ee	2.3l , 66% Yield ^{b,c} >20:1 dr, 91% ee

^aYields are material isolated by silica gel chromatography. Diastereoselectivities were determined by ¹H NMR analysis of crude reaction mixtures. See supporting Information for further experimental details. ^b2-PrOH was omitted. ^c125 °C. ^d48 h.

in good yields with complete *anti*-diastereoselectivity and excellent enantioselectivity. Notably, bromine was tolerable under our condition without formation of dehalogenative

Table 2.3 Diastereoselective and Enantioselective Formation of Branched Homoallylic Alcohol **2.3m-2.3r**.

		
2.1b-2.1d (300 mol %)	2.2a, 2.2j (100 mol %)	2.3m-2.3r
2.1b , R = ^t Bu	2.1c , R = 4-(N-Boc-piperidinyl)	2.1d , R = Ph
 <p>2.3m, 75% Yield (X-ray) >20:1 dr, 94% ee</p>	 <p>2.3n, 65% Yield^b >20:1 dr, 90% ee</p>	 <p>2.3o, 67% Yield^{b,c} >20:1 dr, 86% ee</p>
 <p>2.3p, 61% Yield^{b,d} >20:1 dr, 90% ee</p>	 <p>2.3q, 68% Yield^{d,e,f} >20:1 dr, 96% ee</p>	 <p>2.3r, 77% Yield^{d,f} >20:1 dr, 90% ee</p>

^aYields are material isolated by silica gel chromatography. Diastereoselectivities were determined by ¹H NMR analysis of crude reaction mixtures. See supporting Information for further experimental details. ^b72 h. ^c75 °C. ^d2-PrOH was omitted. ^e7.5 mol% of H₂Ru(CO)(PPh₃)₃, ArSO₃H, SL-J009-1, and 15 mol% Bu₄NI. ^f48 h.

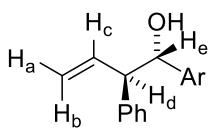
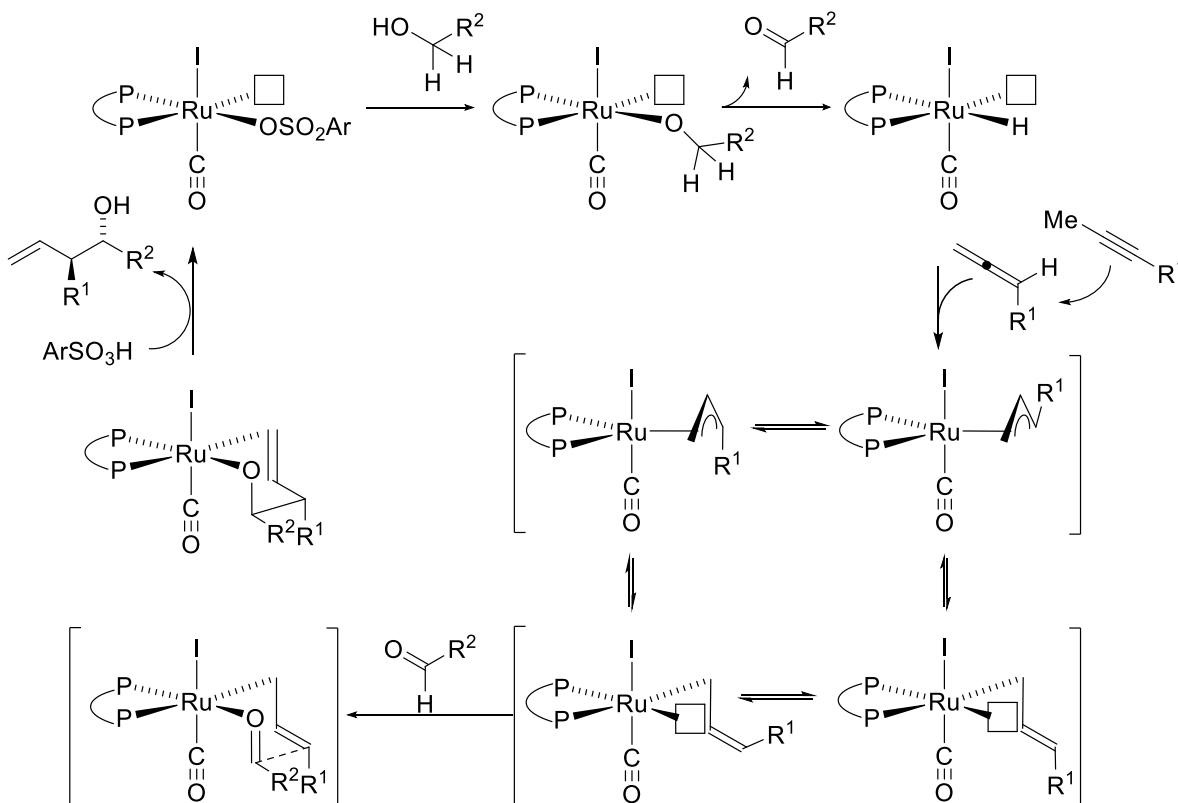
adduct. *Para*-, *meta*-, and *ortho*-substituents containing alcohols provided adducts **2.3a**, **2.3c-2.3f**. For allylic alcohols **2.2g-2.2i**, which could be converted to the corresponding aldehydes catalyzed by transition metal through internal redox isomerization, adducts **2.3g-2.3i** were also formed in highly stereoselective manner. Also, aliphatic alcohols **2.3j-2.3l** gave slightly lower yields but still excellent level of diastereo- and enantioselectivity.

To further explore the scope for this transformation, a series of 2-propynes bearing tert-butyl (**2.1b**), 4-(N-Boc-piperidinyl) (**2.1c**) and phenyl (**2.1d**) moieties were evaluated under the optimal condition by coupling with both benzylic and aliphatic alcohol **2.2a** and **2.2j**, respectively. Desired allylation products **2.3m-2.3r** were obtained with moderate to good yields and good to excellent enantioselectivity.

2.3 MECHANISM AND DISCUSSION

The reaction was proposed to proceed through the catalytic cycle below (Scheme 2.2). Ruthenium catalyst, derived from acid-base reaction of $\text{H}_2\text{Ru}(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)_3$ and sulfonic acid, was converted to ruthenium alkoxide through ligand exchange. Subsequent β -hydride elimination released aldehyde and ruthenium hydride. Allylruthenium species were formed via hydrometalation of transient allene¹², which formed by isomerization 2-propyne. Such allylruthenium species were undergoing rapid isomerization between σ -allyl and π -allyl haptomers. Coordination of aldehyde to the (E)- σ -allylruthenium species triggered the carbonyl addition to form the homoallylic ruthenium alkoxide through a closed transition structure. Protonolysis facilitated by the sulfonic acid released the homoallylic alcohol and closed the catalytic cycle. The proposed mechanism was supported by the deuterium labeling studies. Bu_4NI in the reaction helped to suppress oxidative coupling pathway due to the strong σ -donicity of iodide ligand on ruthenium, which may destabilize ruthenium(0).

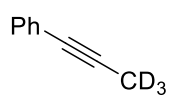
Scheme 2.2 Proposed General Catalytic Mechanism and Deuterium Labeling Experiment Results.



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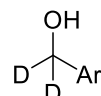
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Experiment II: 83% Yield, >20:1 dr
Experiment III: 65% Yield, >20:1 dr

Experiment I
H_{a,b} (>95% ²H)
H_c (64% ²H)
H_d (27% ²H)
H_e (0% ²H)



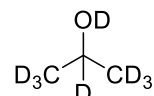
deuterio-2.1d
(300 mol%)
(no 2-PrOH)

Experiment II
H_{a,b} (0% ²H)
H_c (36% ²H)
H_d (44% ²H)
H_e (>95% ²H)



deuterio-2.2a
(100 mol%)
(no 2-PrOH)

Experiment III
H_{a,b} (0% ²H)
H_c (0% ²H)
H_d (0% ²H)
H_e (0% ²H)



*d*₈-2-PrOH
(200 mol%)

2.4 CONCLUSION

In summary, a ruthenium-catalyzed formation of enantiomeric enriched homoallylic alcohols was reported, where 2-alkynes were used as reservoir for allenes. It's noticed that subtle changes in the reaction could lead to the partition of different mechanism pathways-oxidative coupling vs hydrometalation. And this process further expanded the scope for π -unsaturated compounds engaging in transition metal catalyzed redox-triggered carbonyl allylation reactions.

2.5 EXPERIMENTAL DETAILS

General Information

All reactions were run under an atmosphere of argon, unless otherwise indicated. Resealable pressure tubes (13x100 mm) were purchased from Fischer Scientific (catalog number 14-959-35C) and were flame dried followed by cooling in a desiccator or under a stream of argon prior to use. Tetrahydrofuran (THF) was dried over sodium metal, benzophenone, and distilled immediately prior to use. $\text{RuH}_2(\text{PPh}_3)_3$ were prepared according to literature procedure.¹ All ligands were used as received from Strem Chemicals Inc. Alcohols were purified by distillation or recrystallization immediately prior to use. Preparative column chromatography employing Silicycle silica gel (40-63 μm) was performed according to the method of Still.² Analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was carried out using 0.25 mm commercial silica gel plates (Dynamic Absorbents F254). Visualization was accomplished with UV light followed by dipping in Seebach's stain solution then heating. Purification of reactions was carried out by flash chromatography using Silicycle silica gel (40-63 μm).

Spectroscopy, Spectrometry, and Data Collection

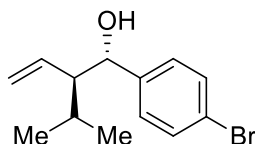
Infrared spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 1600 spectrometer. Low-resolution mass spectra (LRMS) were obtained on a Karatos MS9 and are reported as m/z (relative intensity). Accurate masses are reported for the molecular ion ($M+H$, $M+Na$), or a suitable fragment ion. Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (1H NMR) spectra were recorded with a Varian Gemini (400 MHz) spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported in delta (δ) units, parts per million (ppm) downfield from tetramethylsilane or ppm relative to the center of the singlet at 7.26 ppm for deuteriochloroform. Data reported as multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet). Integration and coupling constants were reported in Hertz (Hz). Carbon-13 nuclear magnetic resonance (^{13}C NMR) spectra were recorded with a Varian Gemini (100 MHz) spectrometer and were routinely run with broadband decoupling. Chemical shifts are reported in delta (δ) units, ppm relative to the center of the triplet at 77.16 ppm for deuteriochloroform.

Experimental Details and Spectral Data

General Procedure for the Couplings of Alcohols 2.2a-2.2l and Alkynes

To a resealable pressure tube (ca. 13 x 100) was added $\text{H}_2\text{Ru}(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)_3$ (9.2 mg, 0.010 mmol, 5 mol%), SL-J009-1 ligand (5.6 mg, 0.010 mmol, 5 mol%), Bu_4NI (7.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 10 mol%) and 2,4,6-tri(2-propyl)phenylsulfonic acid (2.9 mg, 0.010 mmol, 5 mol%). At this stage solid alcohol coupling partners (0.20 mmol, 100 mol%) were added. The tube was then sealed with a rubber septum and purged with argon. THF (0.20 mL, 1 M concentration with respect to alcohols) was then added. At this stage, liquid alcohol coupling partners (0.20 mmol, 100 mol%) were added. 2-propylalcohol (31 μL , 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%) was then added. Alkynes (0.60 mmol, 300 mol%) was added via syringe and the rubber septum was quickly replaced with a screw cap. The mixture was then heated at 95 °C for the time stated. After cooling to room temperature, the mixture was concentrated in vacuo. The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography (SiO_2), under the conditions noted, to afford the corresponding branched homoallylic alcohols.

(1S,2S)-1-(4-bromophenyl)-2-isopropylbut-3-en-1-ol (2.3a).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification (SiO₂, 300 mL of EtOAc: Hexanes = 1:5) to furnish the title compound (42.5 mg, 79%, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow oil.

R_f=0.37 (Hexanes: Et₂O = 4:1).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.50 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.25 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 5.84 – 5.72 (m, 1H), 5.31 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 5.14 (ddd, *J* = 17.1, 2.1, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 4.59 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 2.12 – 2.04 (m, 2H), 1.52 – 1.41 (m, 1H), 0.86 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.84 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

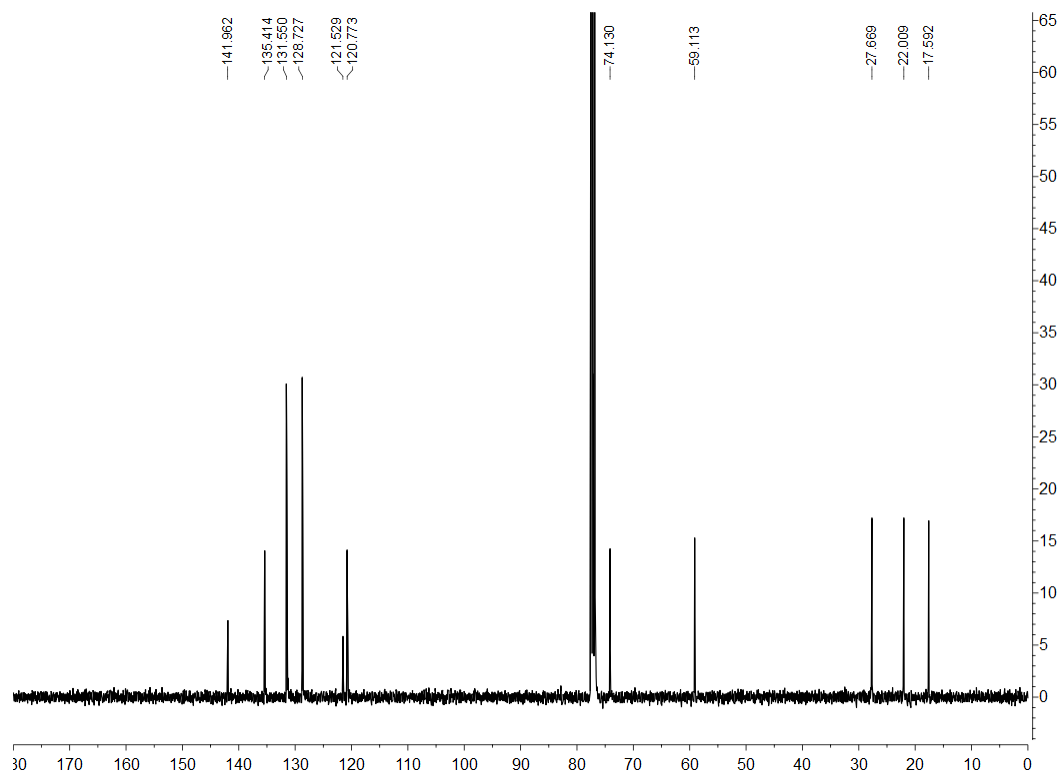
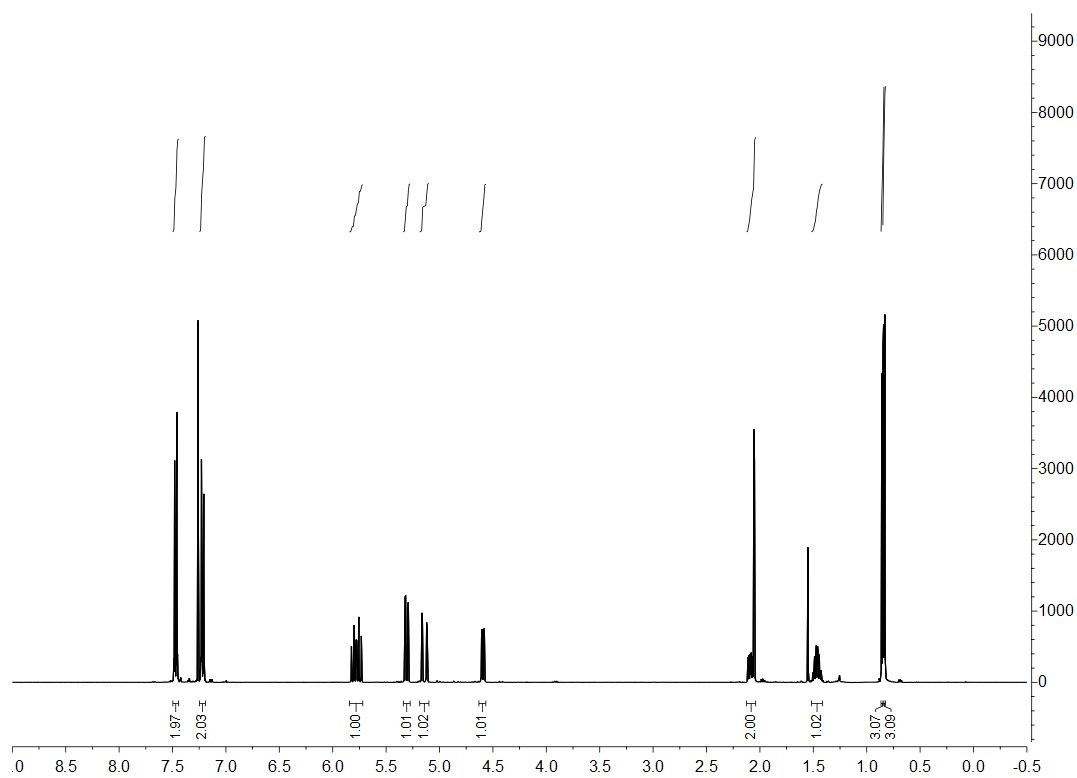
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 142.0, 135.4, 131.6, 128.7, 121.5, 120.8, 74.1, 59.1, 27.7, 22.0, 17.6.

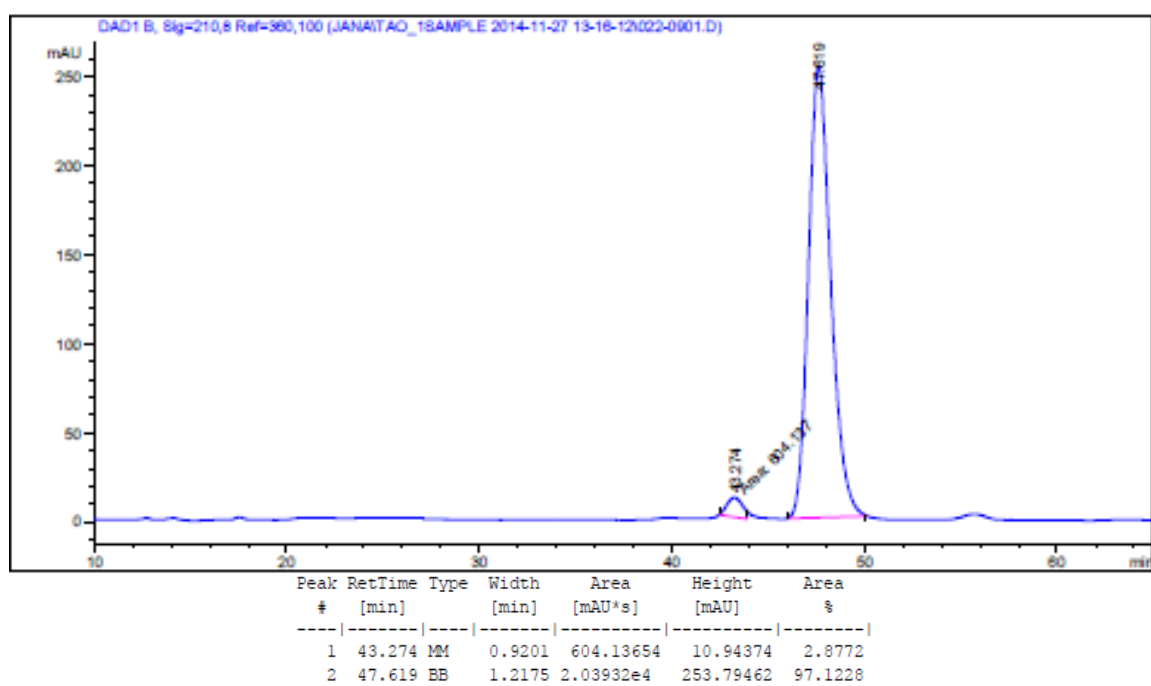
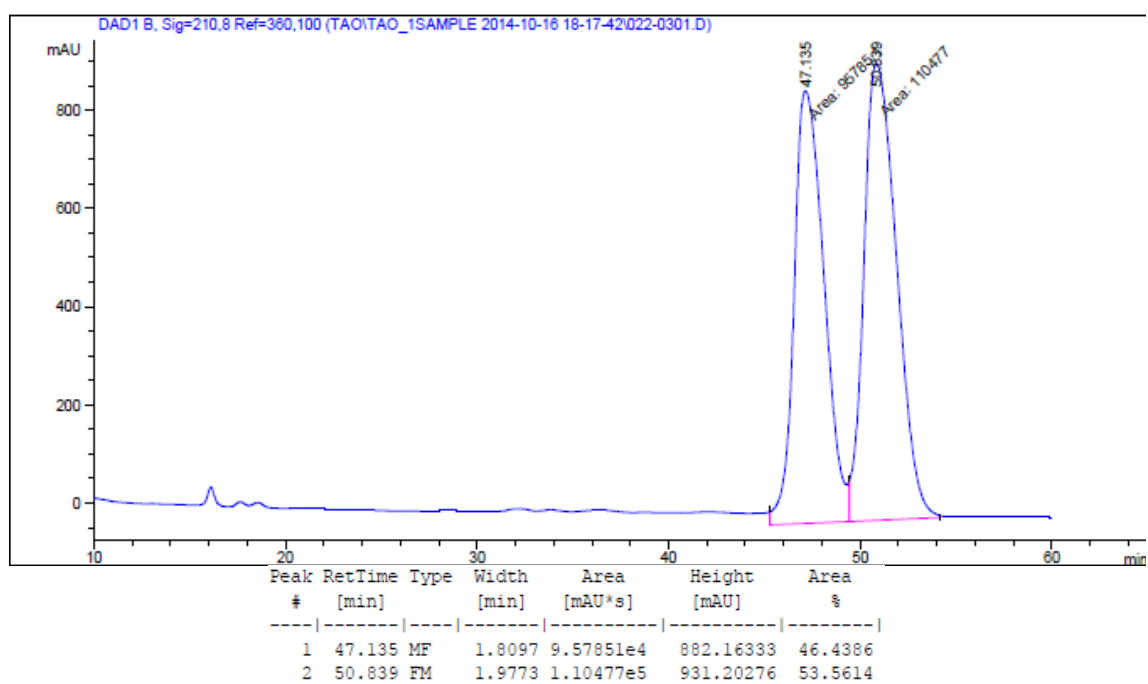
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FTIR (neat): 3432, 3388, 2959, 2904, 1638, 1592, 1486, 1190, 1070, 1009, 915, 818 cm⁻¹.

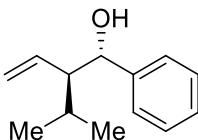
HPLC (Chiralcel AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99.5:0.5, 0.50 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 94%.

[α]_D²⁵ = - 41.3 (c = 0.5, CHCl₃)





(1S,2S)-2-isopropyl-1-phenylbut-3-en-1-ol (2.3b).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification (SiO₂, 300 mL of EtOAc: Hexanes = 1:12) to furnish the title compound (31.2 mg, 82%, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow oil.

R_f = 0.56 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.36 – 7.26 (m, 5H), 5.81 (dt, *J* = 17.1, 10.0 Hz, 1H), 5.31 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (dd, *J* = 17.1, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 4.61 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 2.16 (td, *J* = 9.1, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 2.05 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 1.52 – 1.40 (m, 1H), 0.85 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.82 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

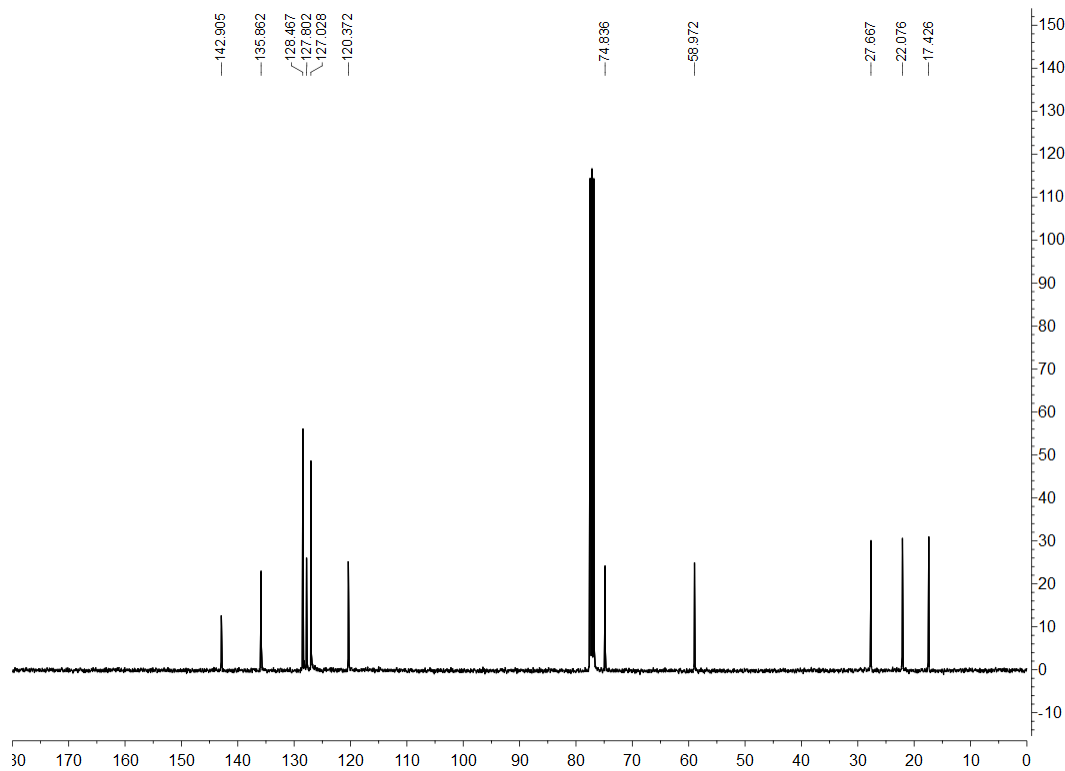
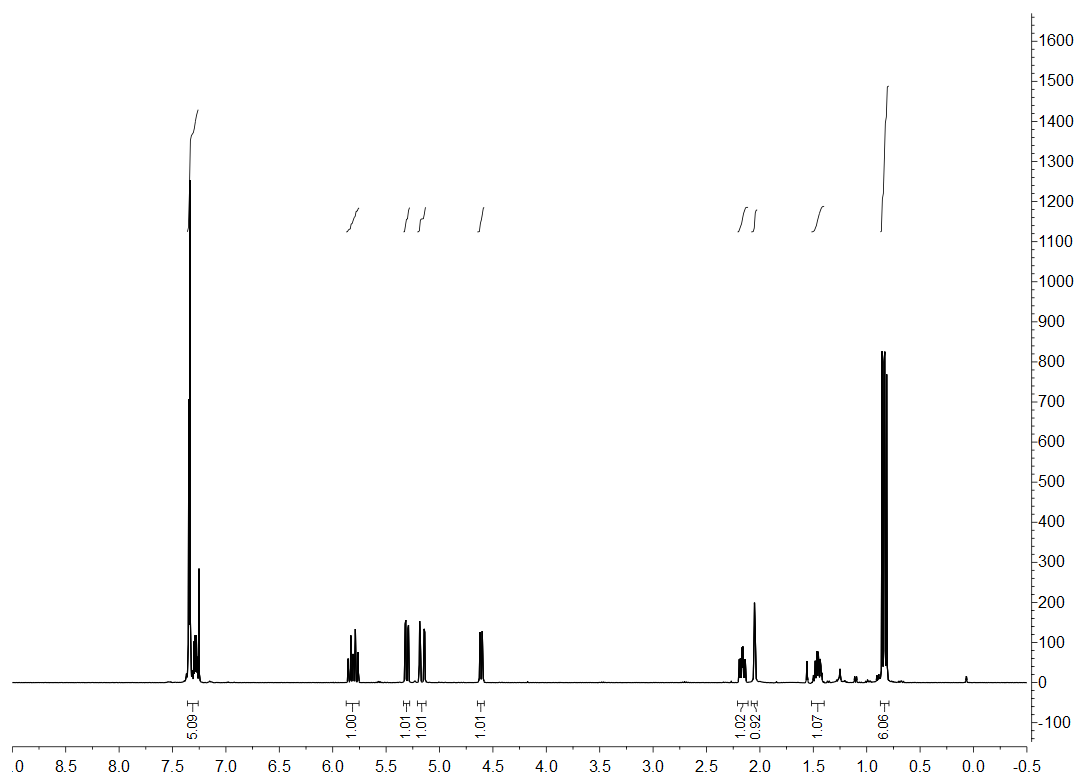
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 142.9, 135.9, 128.5, 127.8, 127.0, 120.4, 74.8, 59.0, 27.7, 22.1, 17.4.

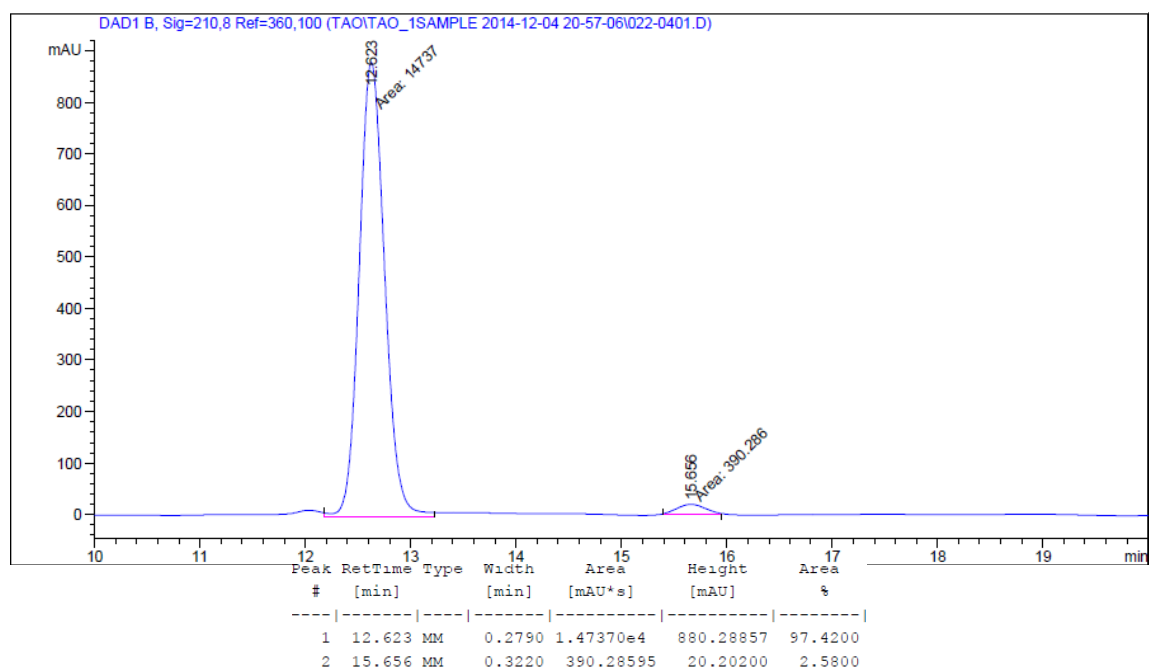
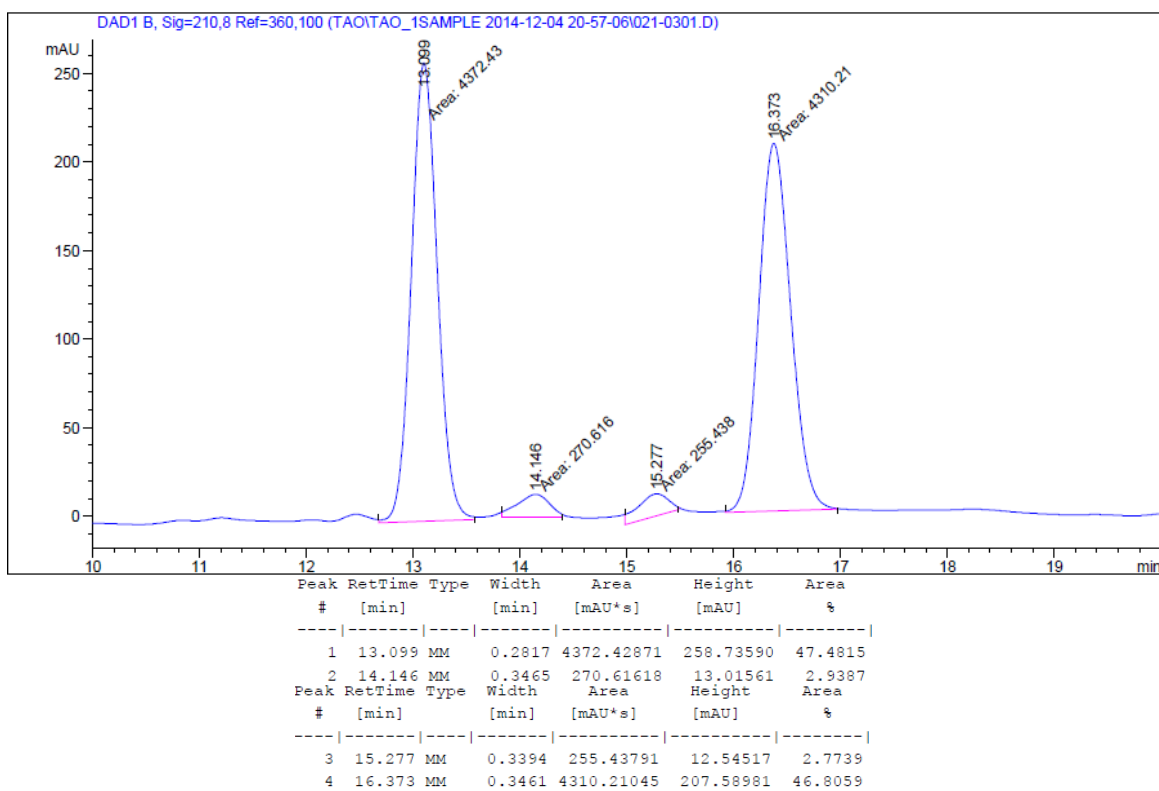
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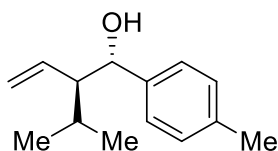
HPLC (Chiralcel AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 95%.

[α]_D²⁵ = - 83.4 (c = 0.5, CHCl₃)





(1S,2S)-2-isopropyl-1-(p-tolyl)but-3-en-1-ol (2.3c).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification (SiO₂, 300 mL of EtOAc: Hexanes = 1:12) to furnish the title compound (31.1 mg, 76%, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow oil.

R_f = 0.56 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.25 – 7.21 (m, 2H), 7.19 – 7.13 (m, 2H), 5.81 (dt, *J* = 17.1, 10.0 Hz, 1H), 5.31 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (ddd, *J* = 17.1, 2.2, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 4.57 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 2.17 (td, *J* = 9.2, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 2.02 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 1.52 – 1.39 (m, 1H), 0.89 – 0.84 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.82 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

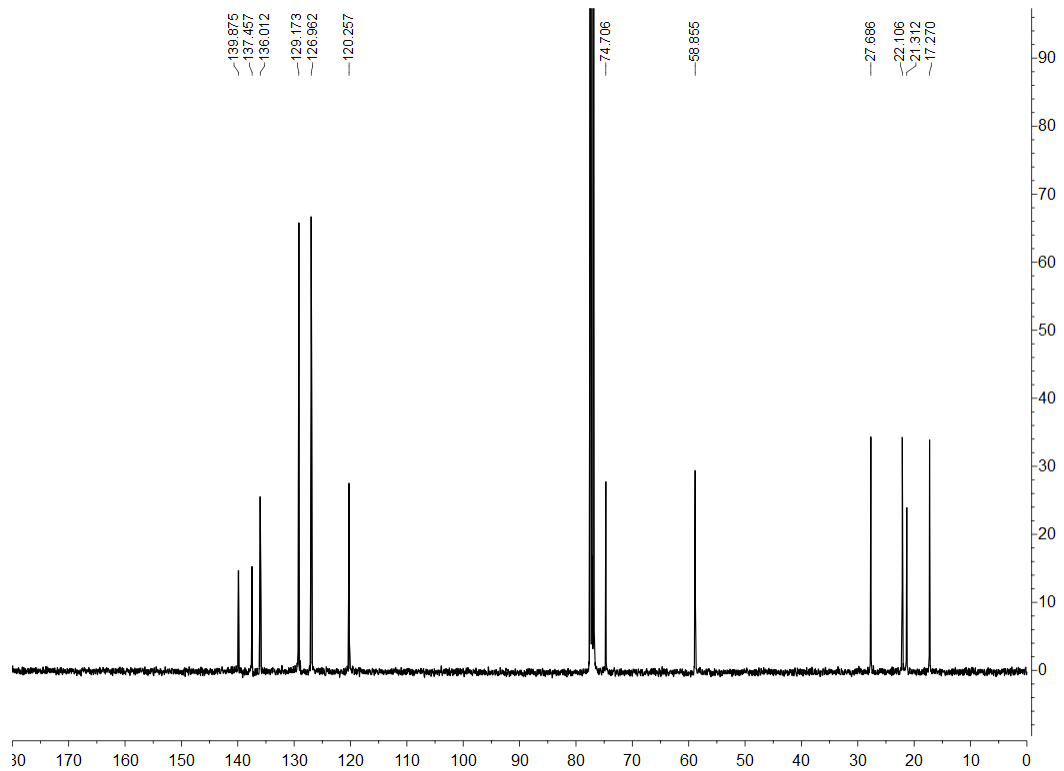
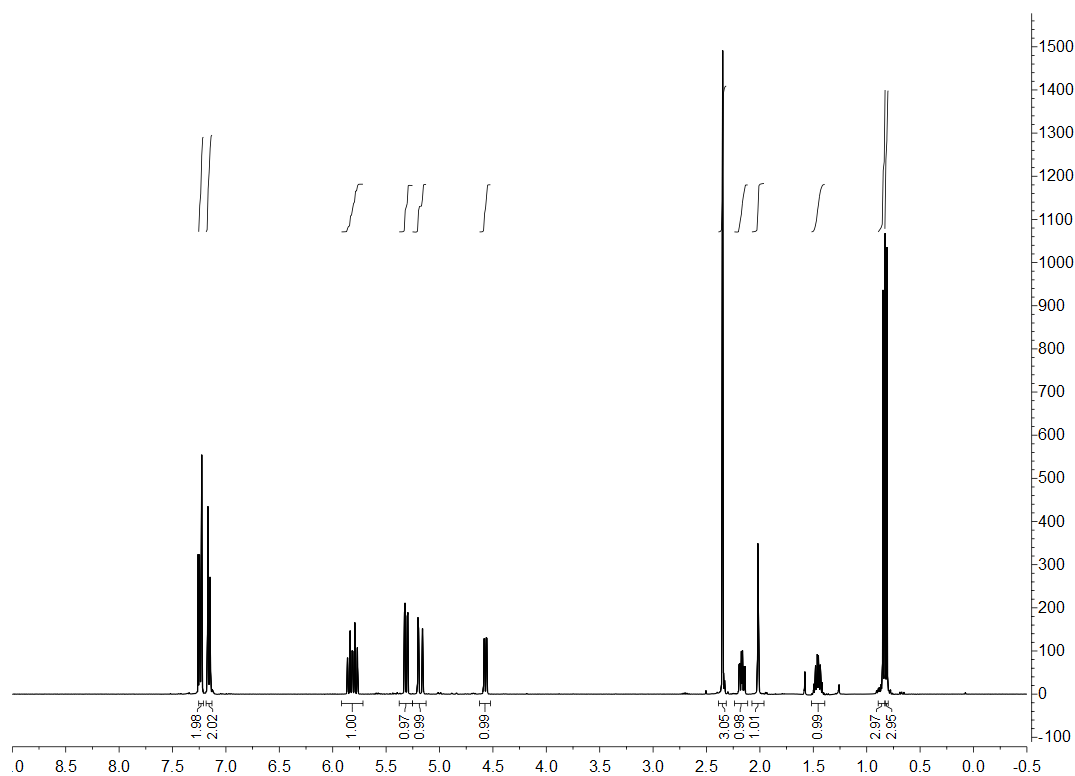
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 139.9, 137.5, 136.0, 129.2, 127.0, 120.3, 74.7, 58.9, 27.7, 22.1, 21.3, 17.3.

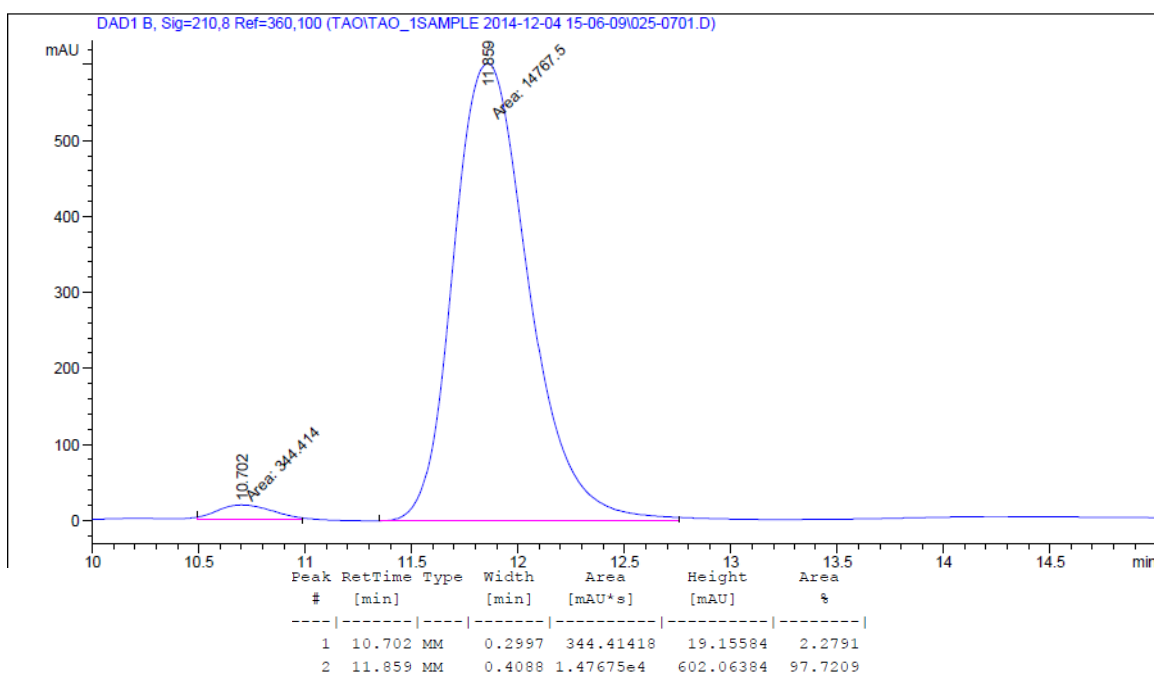
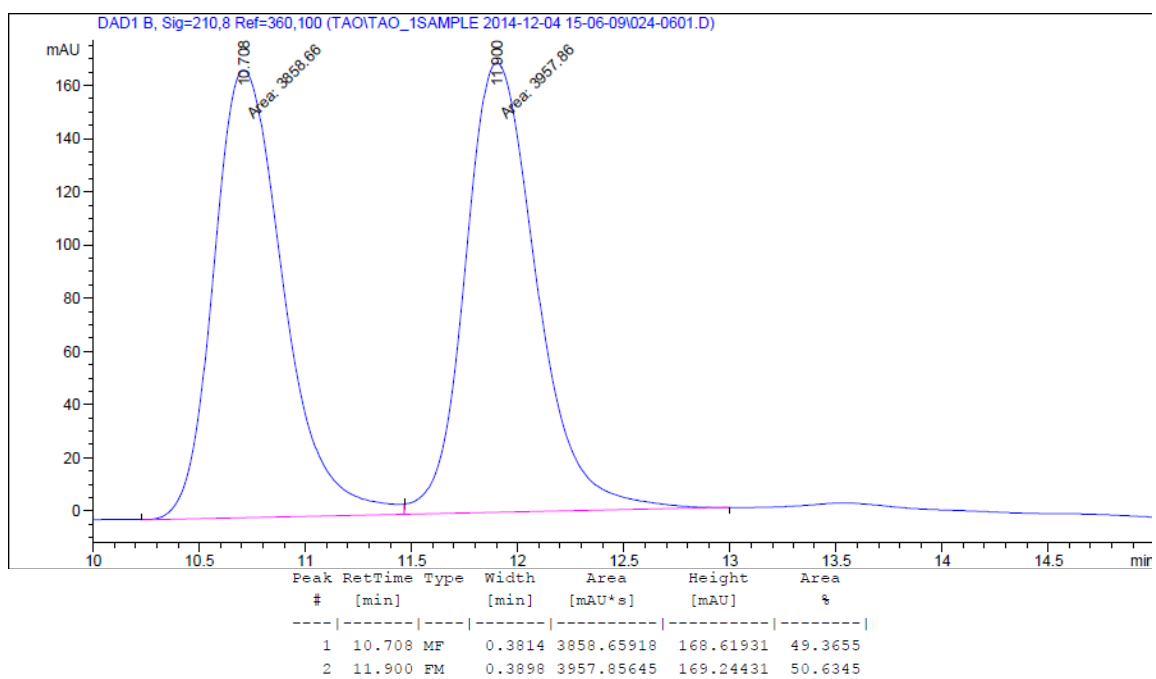
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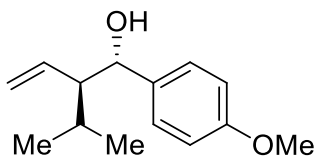
HPLC (Chiralcel AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 95%.

[α]_D²⁵ = - 105.3 (c = 0.5, CHCl₃)





(1S,2S)-2-isopropyl-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)but-3-en-1-ol (2.3d).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification (SiO₂, 300 mL of EtOAc: Hexanes = 1:7) to furnish the title compound (32.2 mg, 73%, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow oil.

R_f = 0.39 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.30 – 7.24 (m, 2H), 6.92 – 6.85 (m, 2H), 5.81 (dt, *J* = 17.1, 10.0 Hz, 1H), 5.31 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (ddd, *J* = 17.1, 2.1, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 4.55 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 2.15 (td, *J* = 9.2, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 2.03 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 1.53 – 1.38 (m, 1H), 0.82 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 6H).

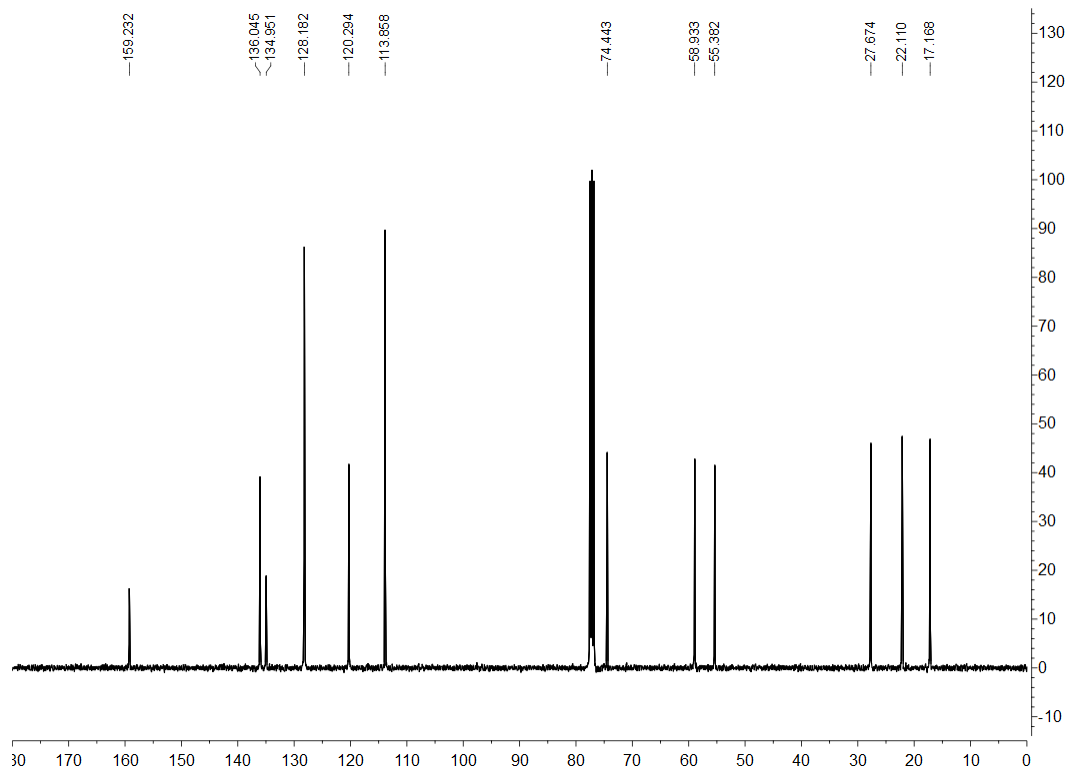
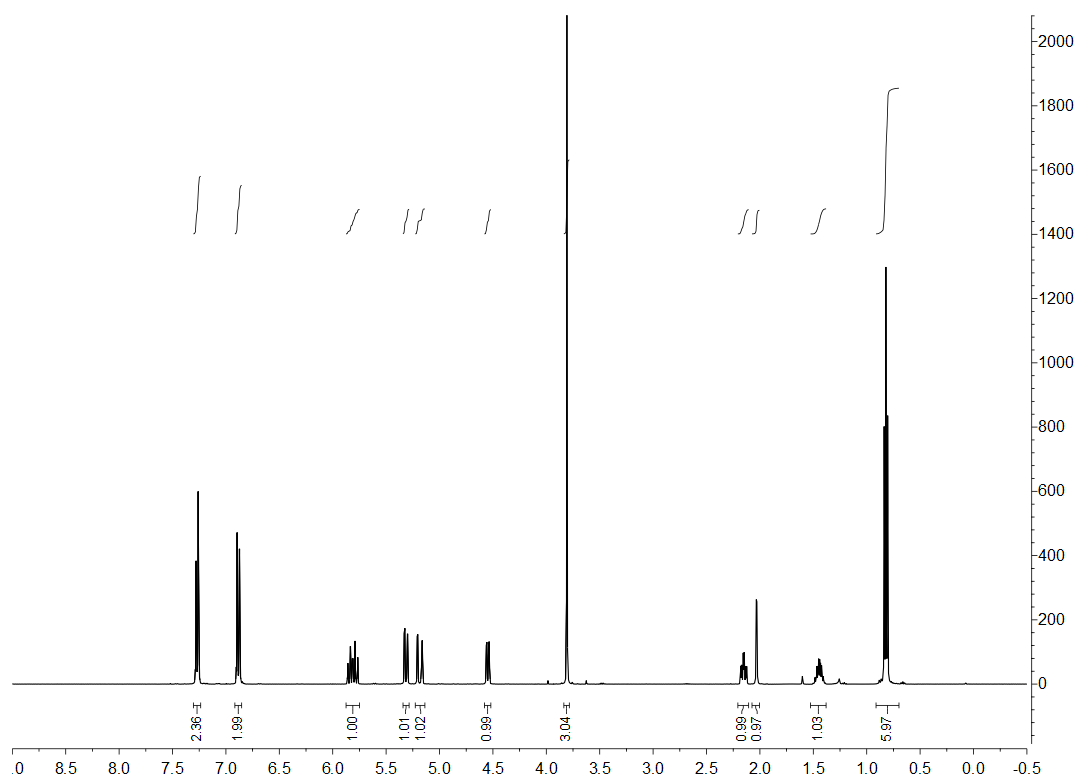
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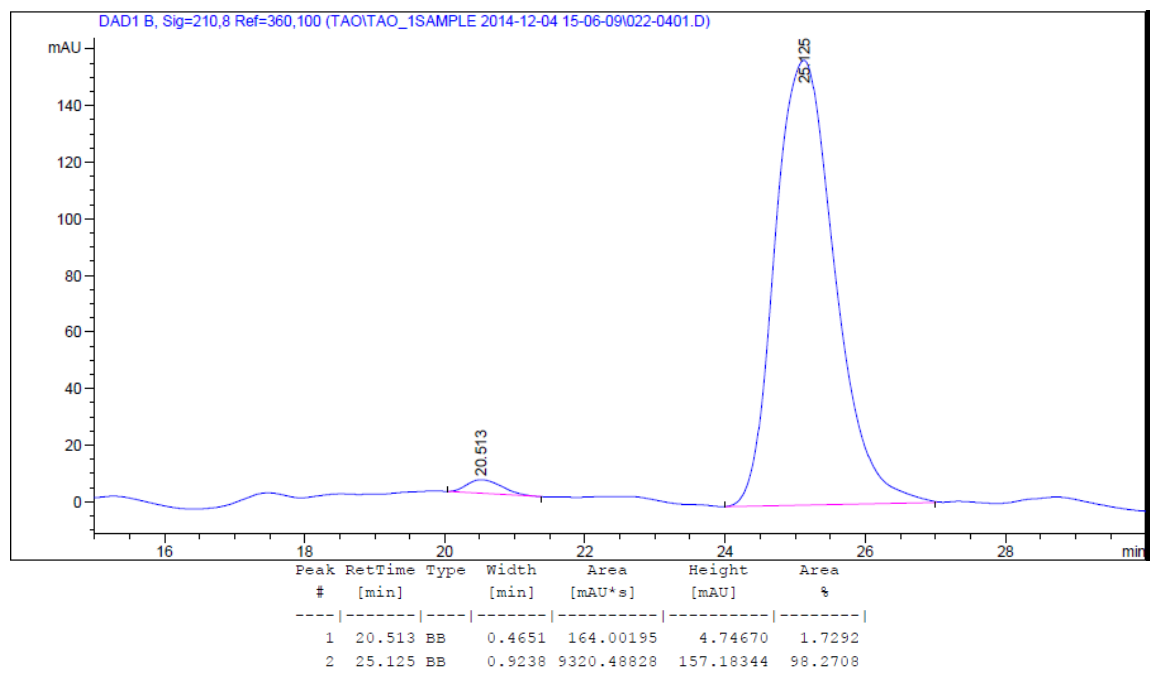
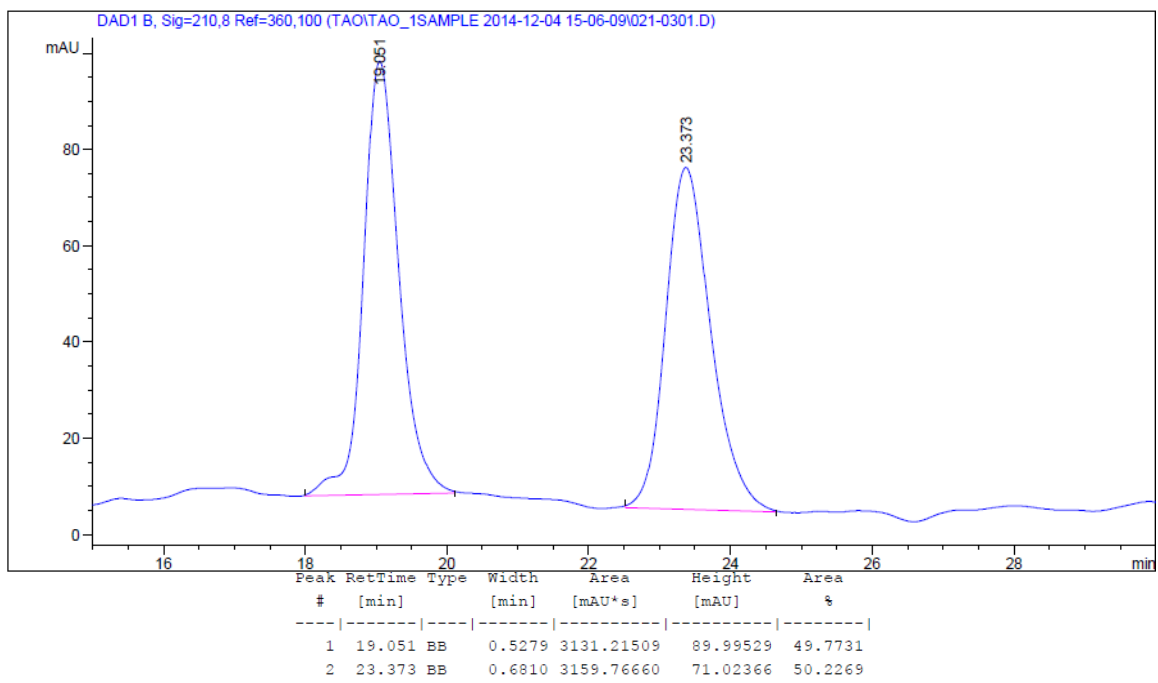
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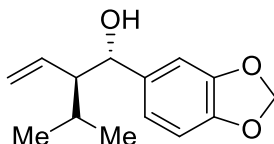
HPLC (Chiralcel AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 95%.

[α]²⁵_D = - 92.3 (c = 0.5, CHCl₃)





(1S,2S)-1-(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-2-isopropylbut-3-en-1-ol (2.3e).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification (SiO₂, 300 mL of EtOAc: Hexanes = 1:7) to furnish the title compound (35.1 mg, 75%, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow oil.

R_f = 0.31 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 6.85 (s, 1H), 6.81 – 6.71 (m, 2H), 5.94 (s, 2H), 5.86 – 5.71 (m, 1H), 5.31 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.50 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 2.16 – 2.05 (m, 2H), 1.56 – 1.38 (m, 1H), 0.83 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 3H), 0.81 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 3H).

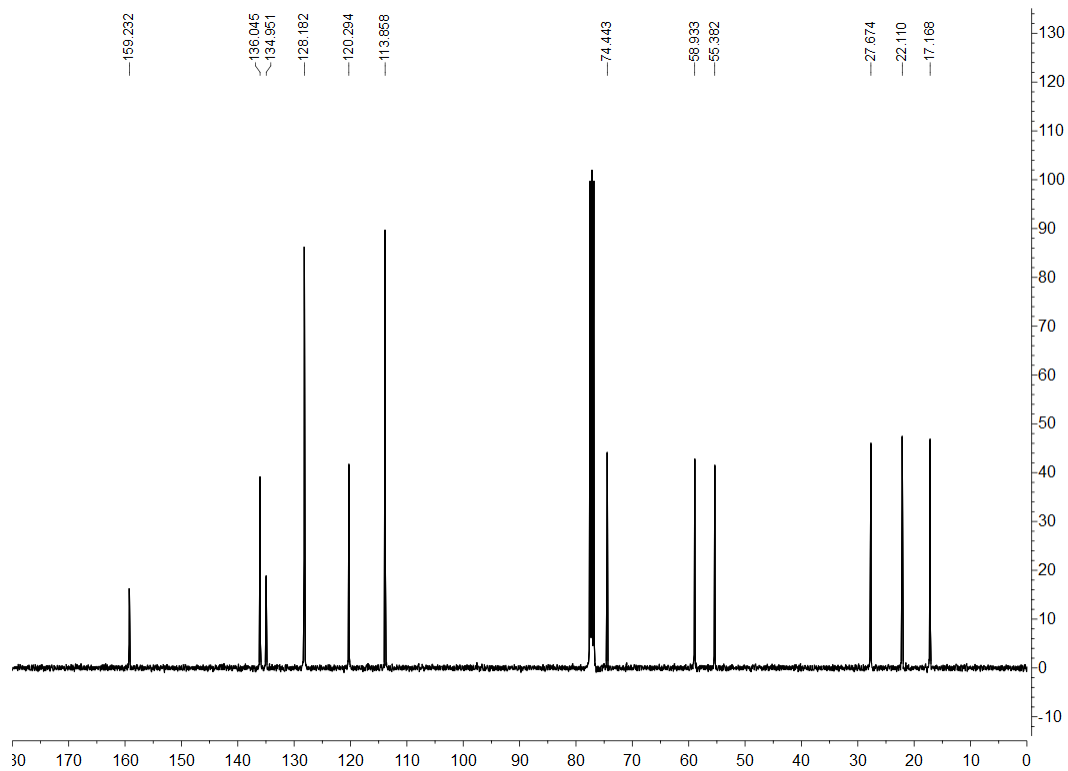
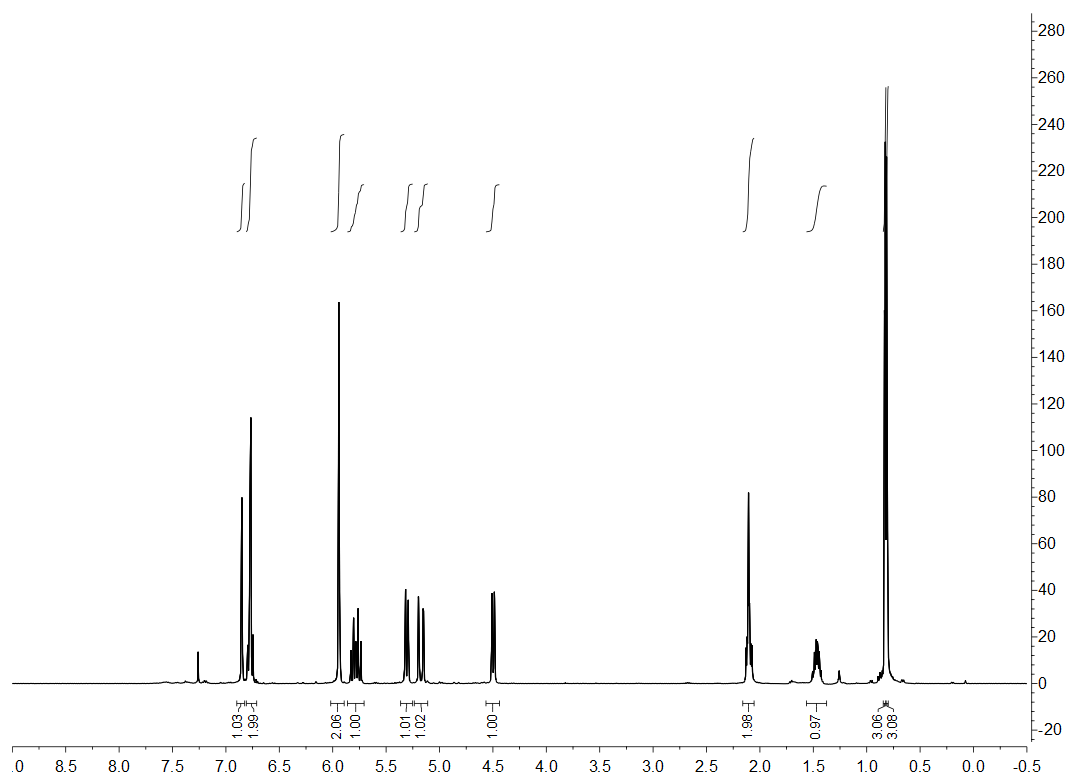
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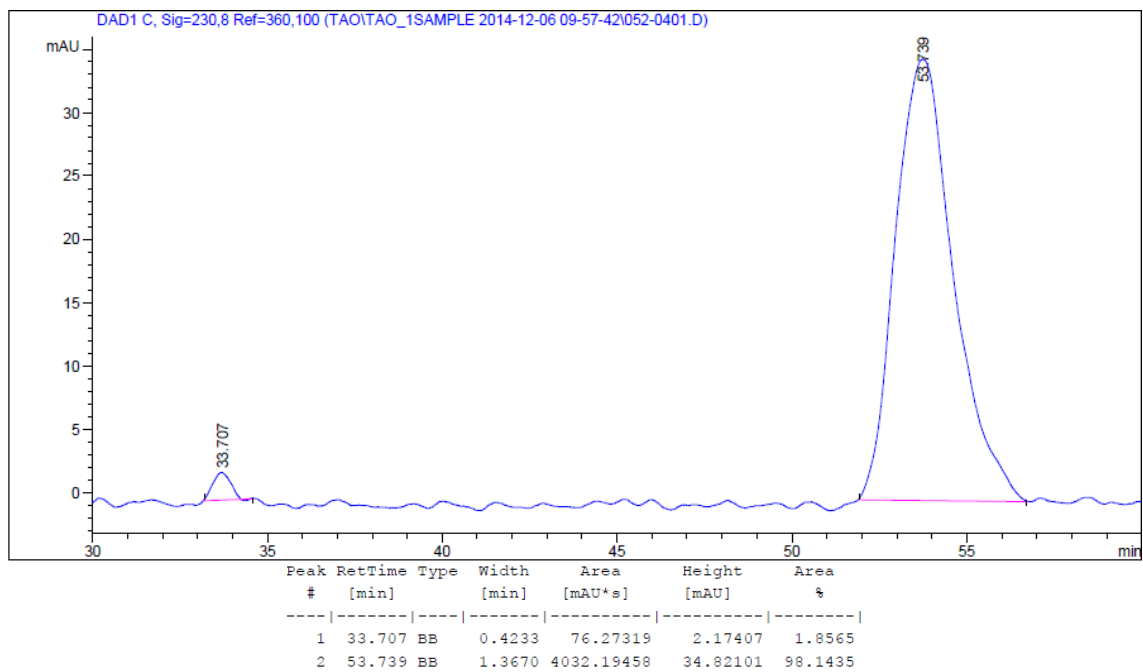
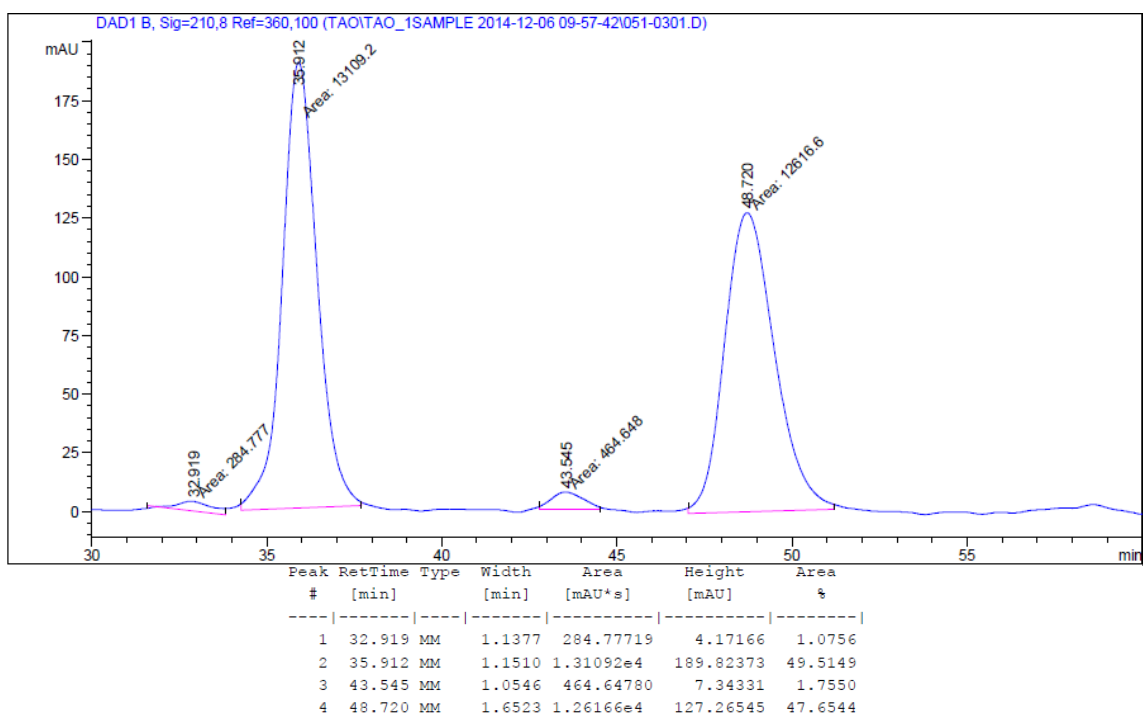
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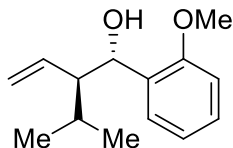
HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 96%.

[α]_D²⁵ = - 77.1 (c = 1.72, CHCl₃)





(1S,2S)-2-isopropyl-1-(2-methoxyphenyl)but-3-en-1-ol (2.3f).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification (SiO₂, 300 mL of EtOAc: Hexanes = 1:5) to furnish the title compound (33.5 mg, 76%, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow oil.

R_f = 0.28 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.31 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.27 – 7.22 (m, 1H), 6.96 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 5.82 (dt, *J* = 17.1, 10.0 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 5.08 – 4.97 (m, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 2.31 (d, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.29 – 2.23 (m, 1H), 1.55 – 1.49 (m, 1H), 0.87 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 3H), 0.85 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 3H).

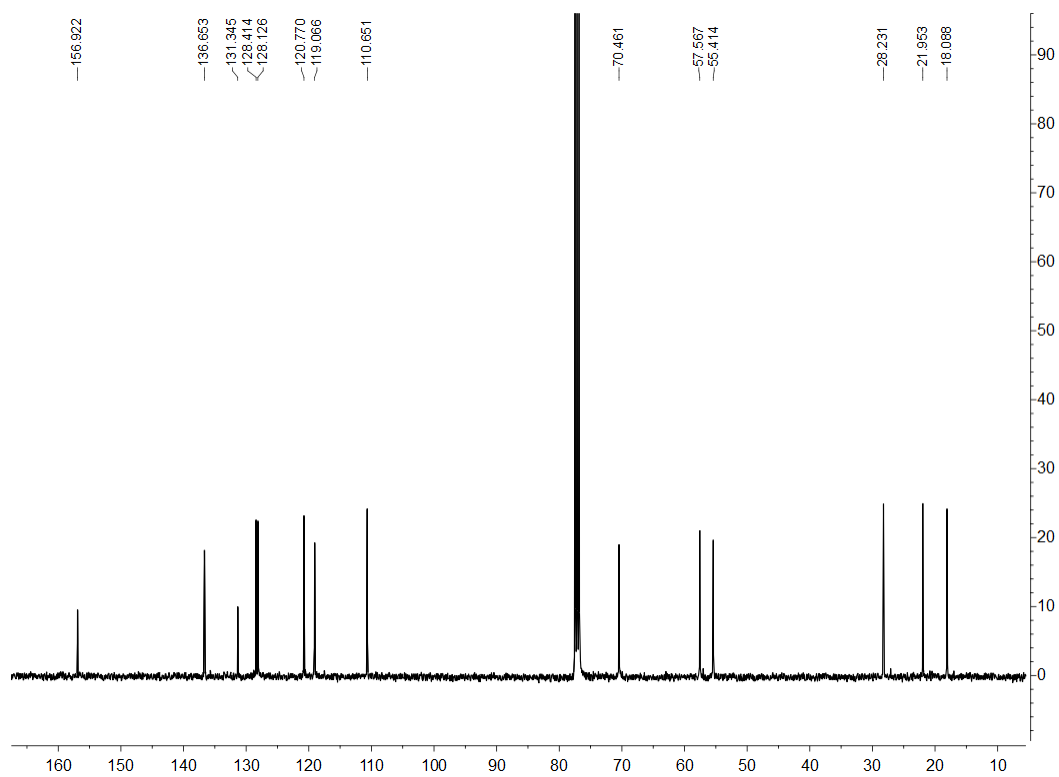
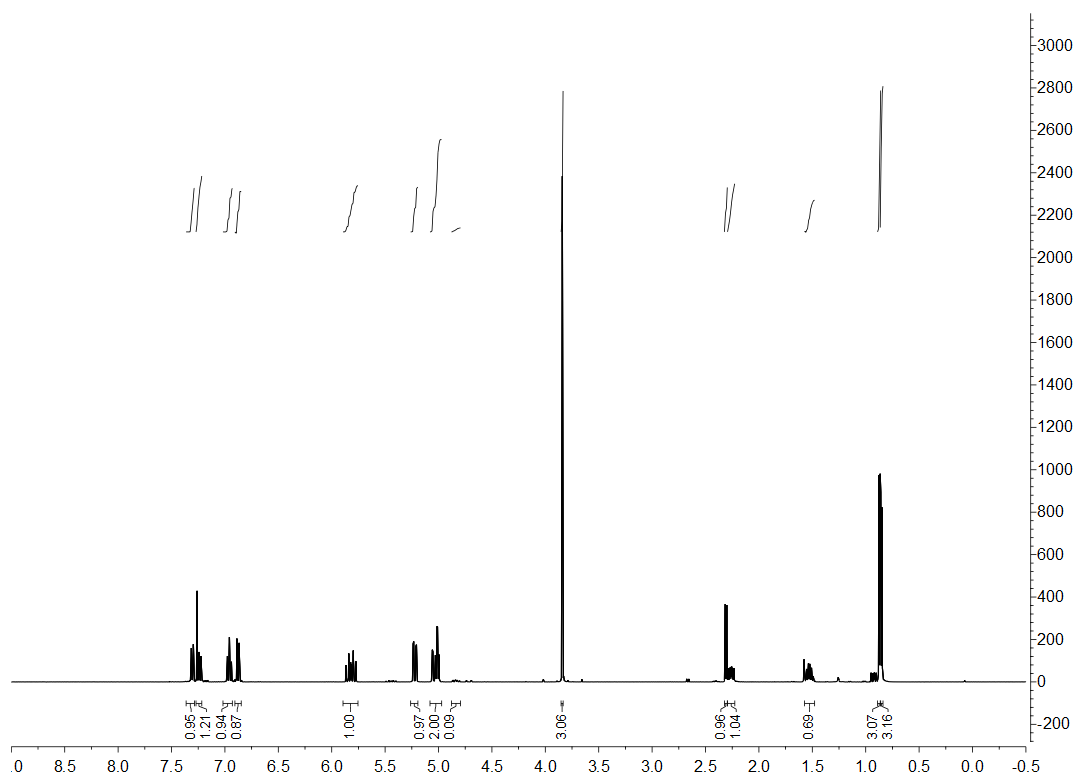
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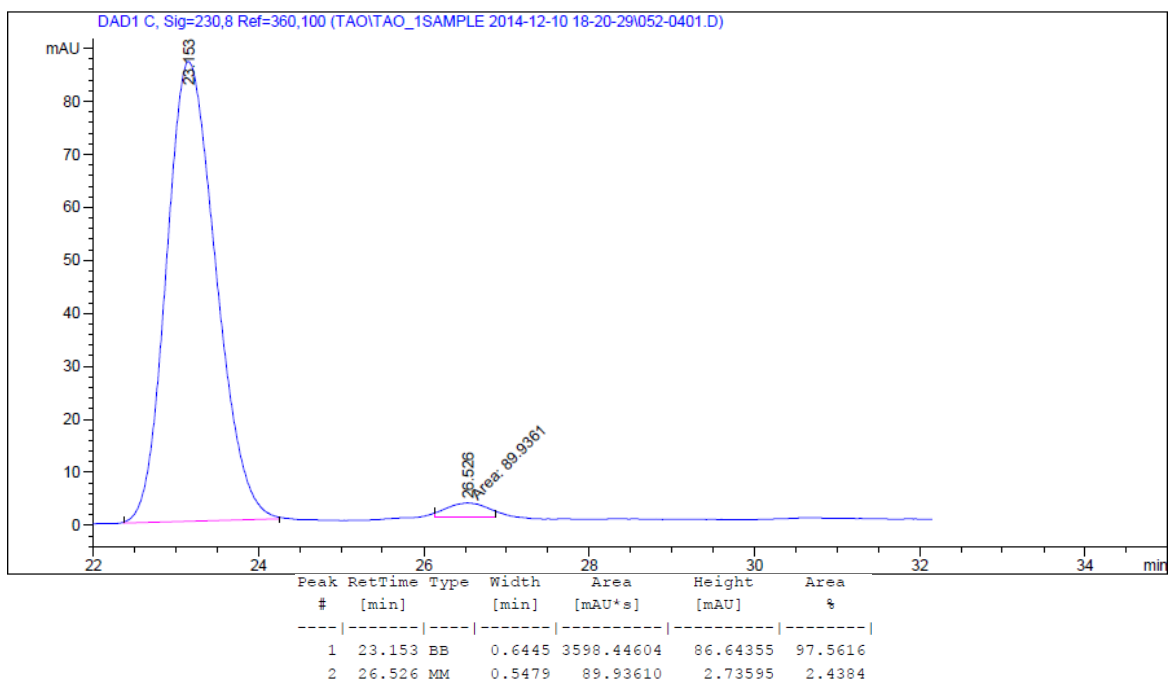
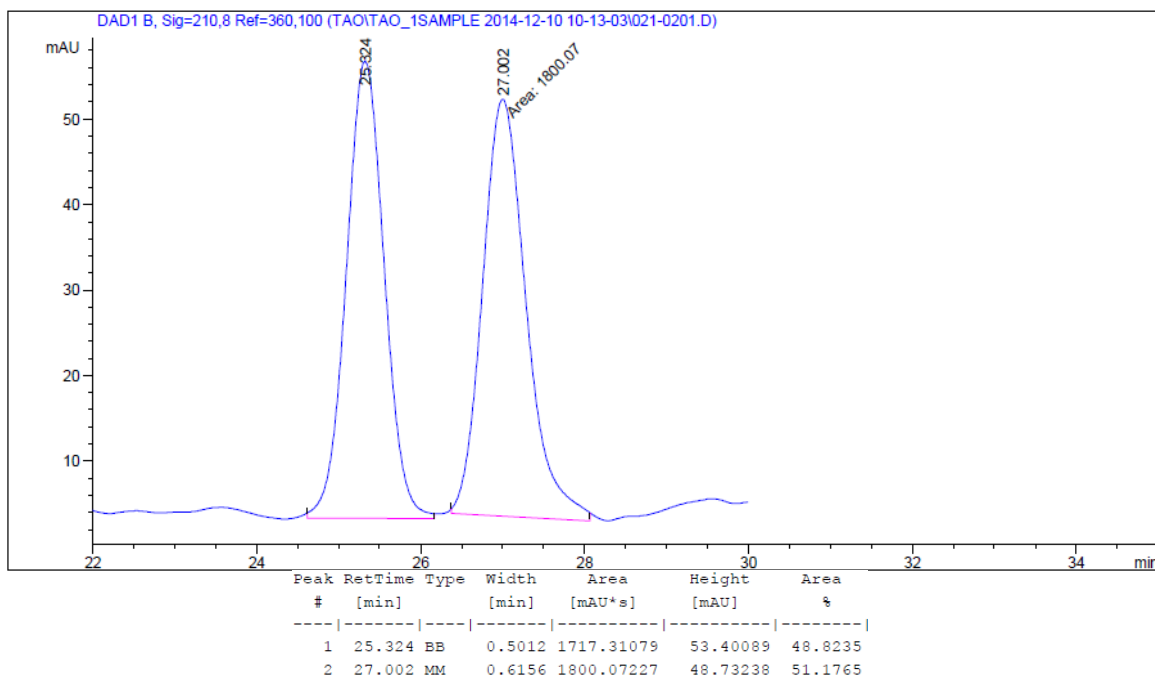
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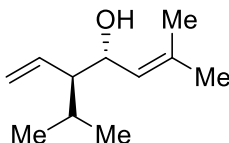
HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 95%.

[α]_D²⁵ = - 60.4(c = 1.57, CHCl₃)





(3S,4S)-3-isopropyl-6-methylhepta-1,5-dien-4-ol (2.3g).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification (SiO₂, 250 mL of Et₂O: Pentane = 1:7) to furnish the title compound (25.6 mg, 76%, *dr* = >20:1) as a colorless oil.

R_f = 0.32 (5:1 Hexanes : Et₂O).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 5.74 (td, *J* = 17.1, 10.0 Hz, 1H), 5.27 (dt, *J* = 10.3, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 5.18 – 5.05 (m, 2H), 4.30 (t, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 1.89 – 1.77 (m, 3H), 1.76 (s, 3H), 1.72 (s, 3H), 1.54 (t, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 0.88 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 1.8 Hz, 3H), 0.79 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 1.7 Hz, 3H)

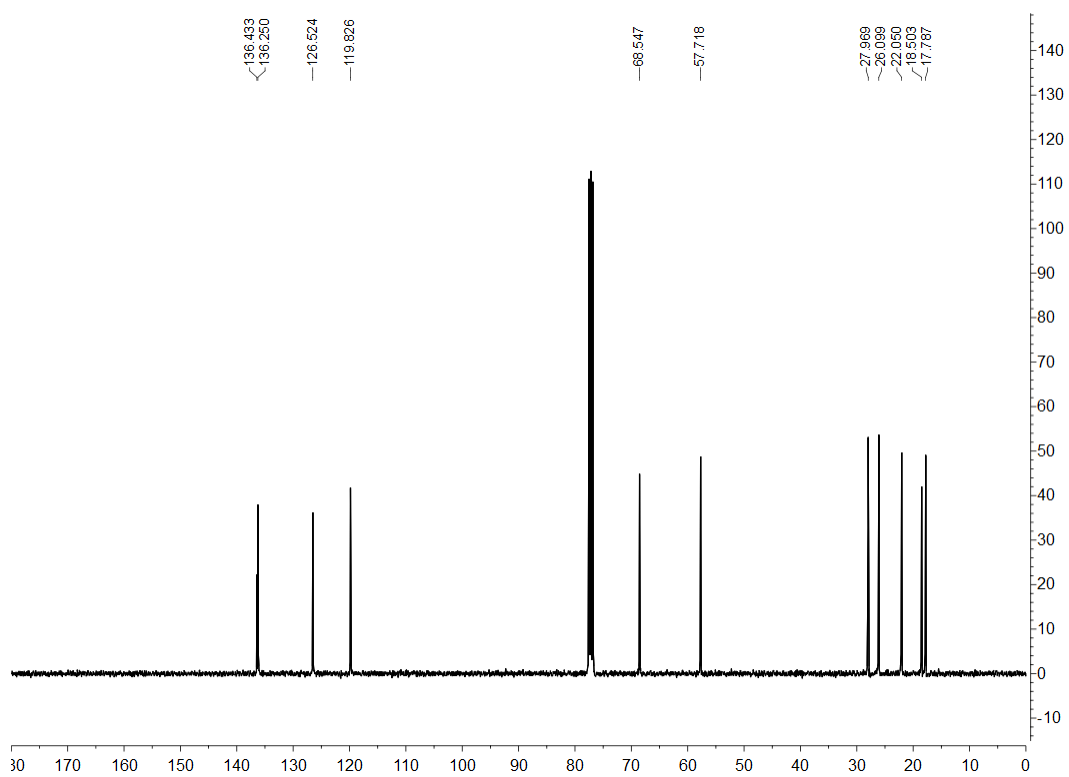
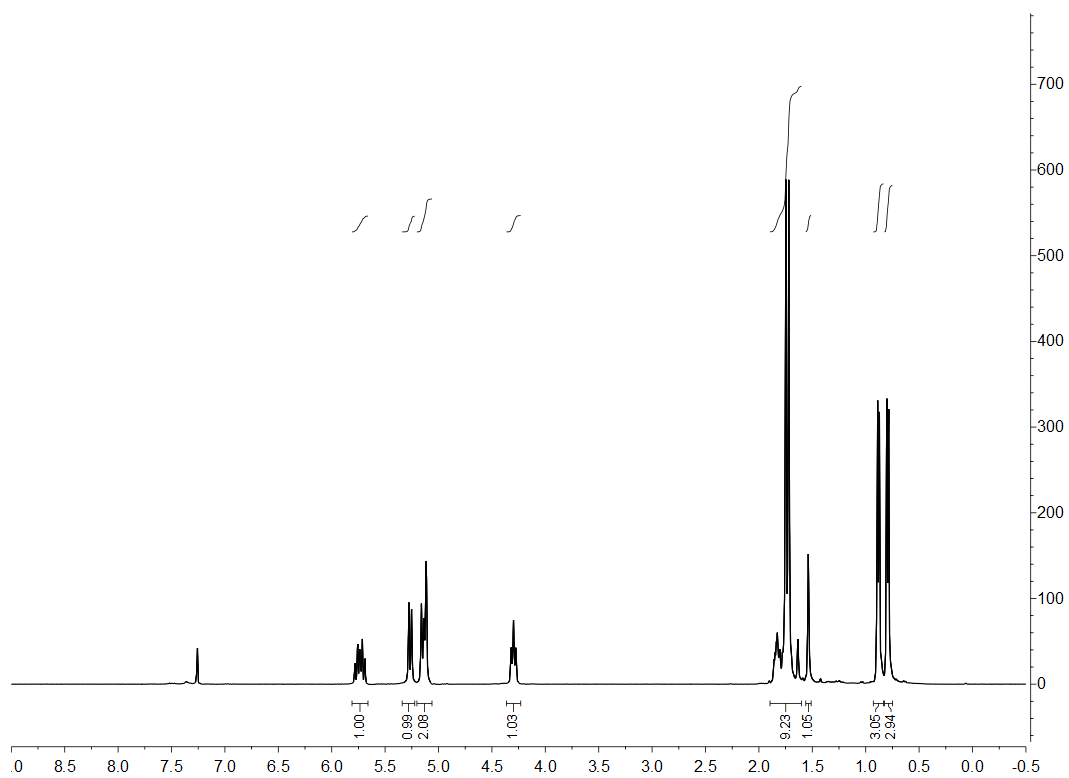
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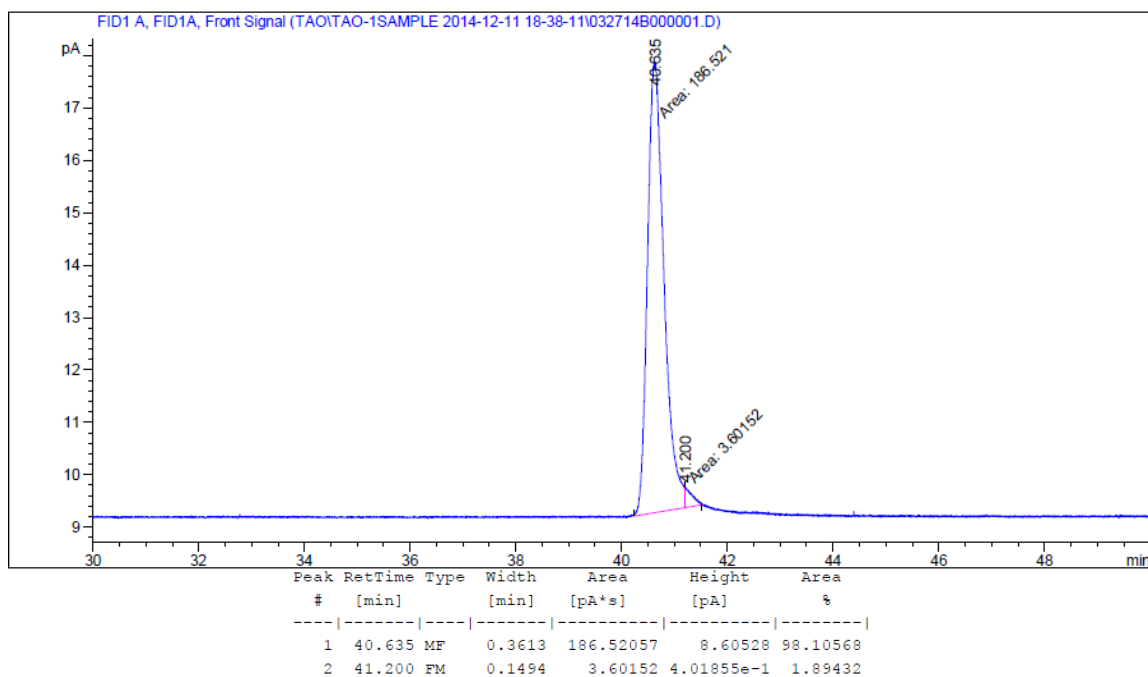
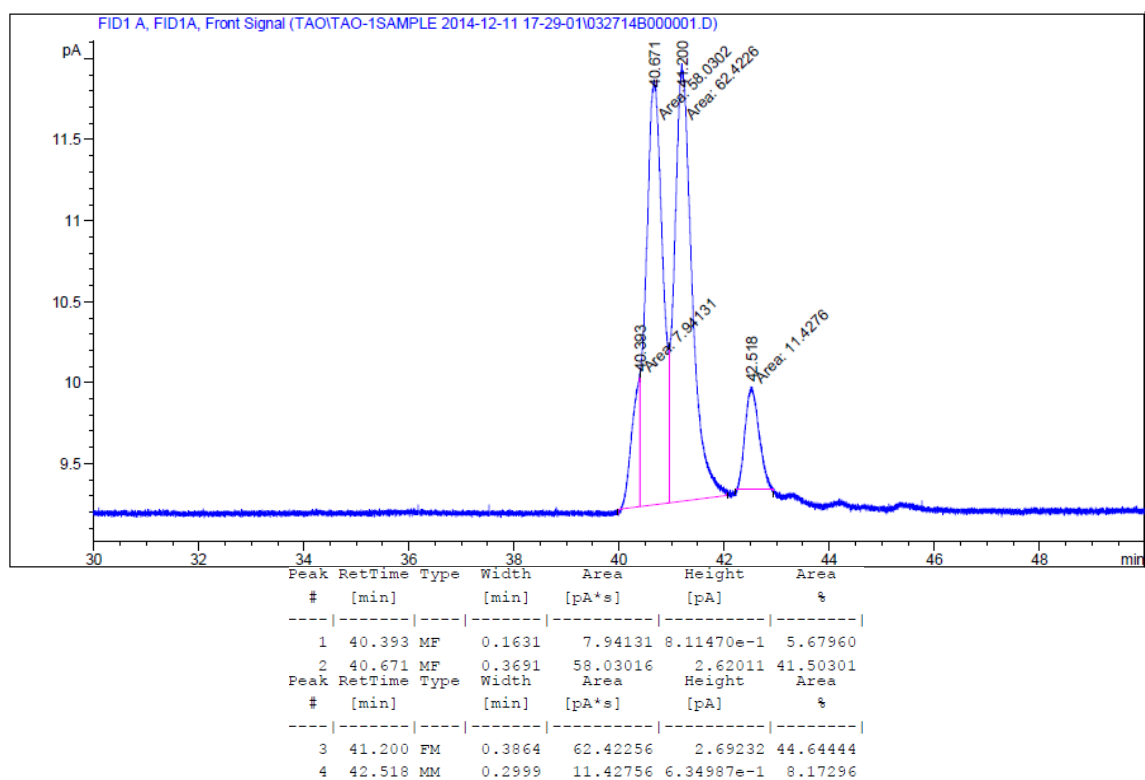
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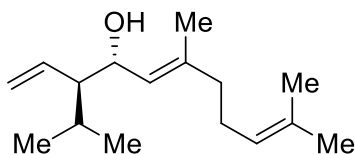
GC (cyclosil-B: Initial temperature: 50 °C; 130 °C, rate: 1 °C /min), ee = 95%.

[α]_D²⁵ = - 3.2(c = 0.73, CHCl₃)





(3S,4S,E)-3-isopropyl-6,10-dimethylundeca-1,5,9-trien-4-ol (2.3h).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification (SiO₂, 200 mL of 10% EtOAc/Hexanes) to furnish the title compound (42.6 mg, 90%, *dr* = >20:1) as a colorless oil.

R_f = 0.50 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 5.74 (dt, *J* = 17.1, 10.0 Hz, 1H), 5.27 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 5.18 – 5.10 (m, 2H), 5.07 (tt, *J* = 6.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.31 (ddd, *J* = 9.1, 8.0, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 2.22 – 2.00 (m, 4H), 1.90 – 1.74 (m, 2H), 1.71 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 3H), 1.67 (d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 3H), 1.60 (s, 3H), 1.52 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 0.89 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.79 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

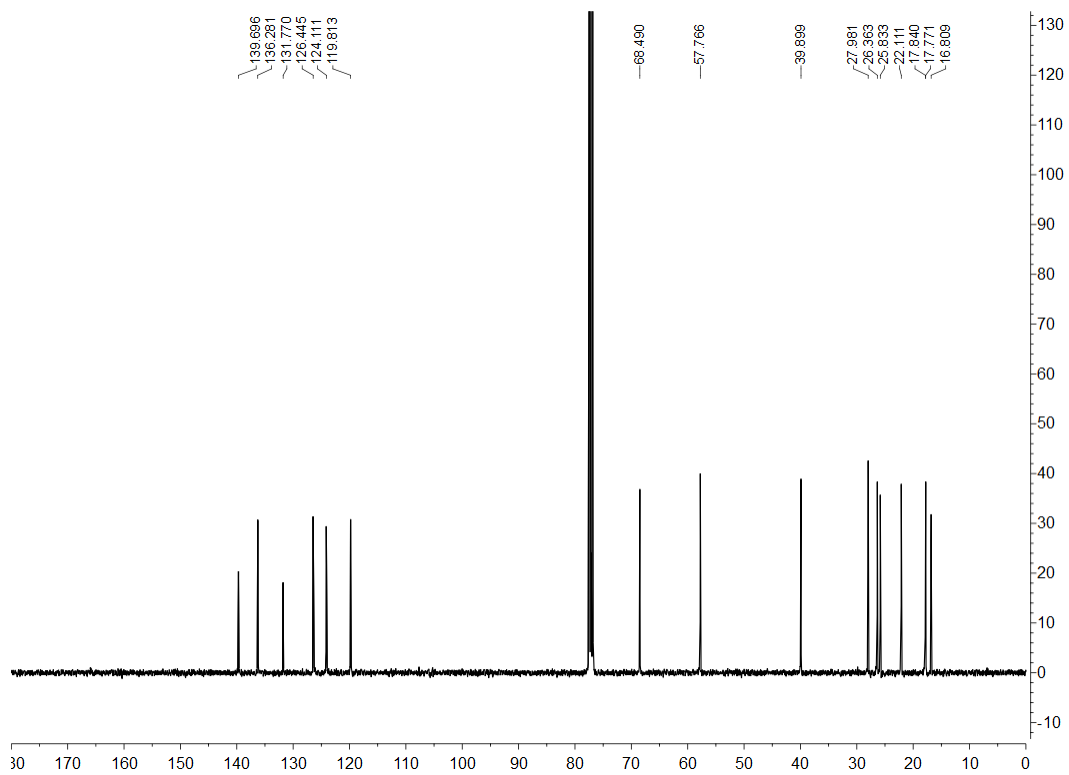
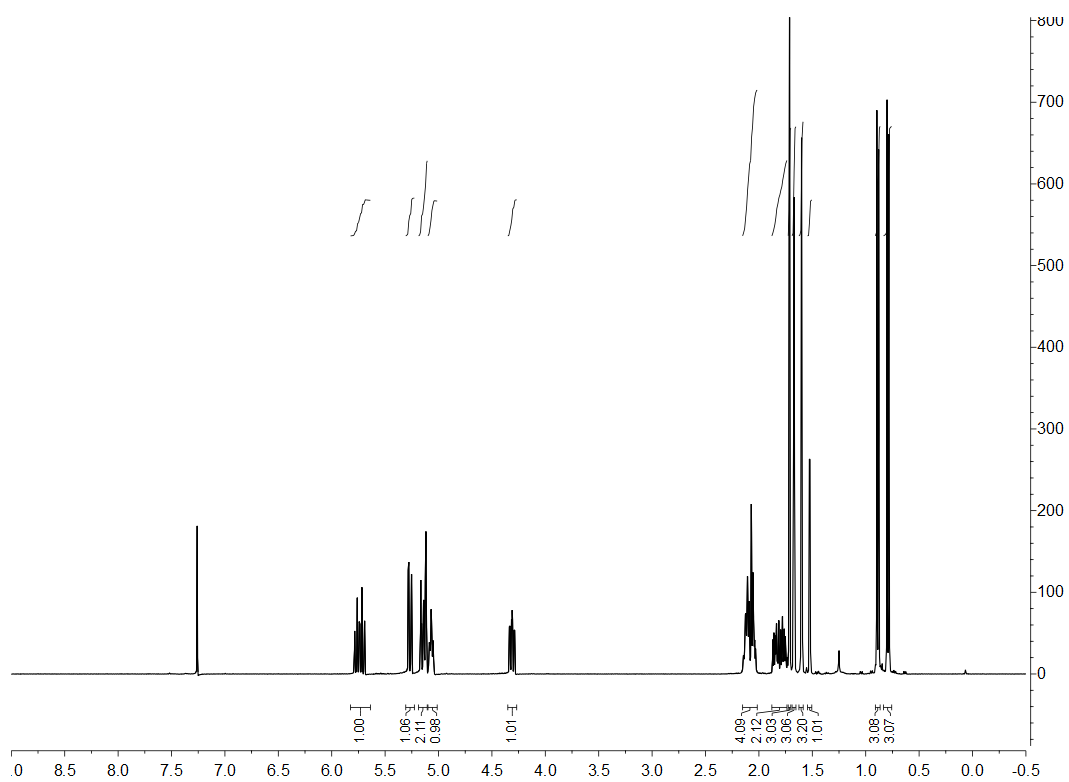
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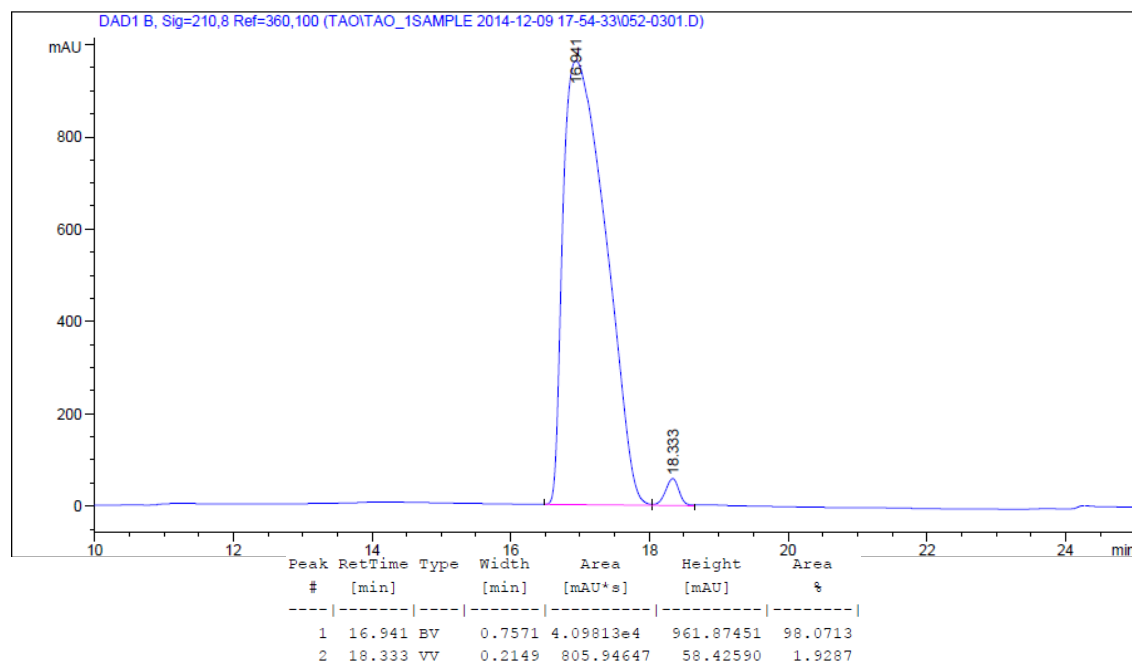
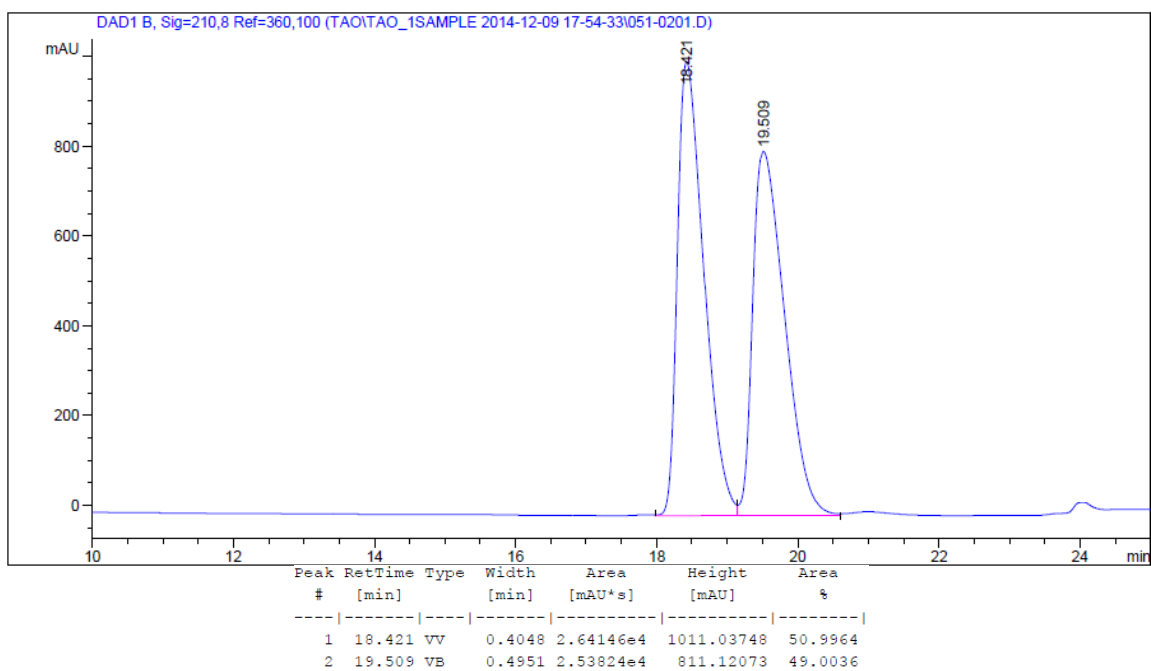
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FTIR (neat): 3423, 3073, 2958, 2927, 2870, 1669, 1638, 1446, 1383, 1027, 1001, 909, 684 cm⁻¹.

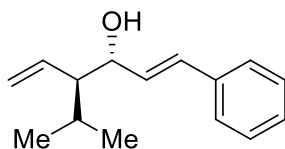
HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99.5:0.5, 0.50 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 96%.

[α]_D²⁵ = - 15.9 (c = 1.33, CHCl₃)





(3R,4S,E)-4-isopropyl-1-phenylhexa-1,5-dien-3-ol (2.3i).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification (SiO₂, 250 mL of 1:9 Et₂OAc: Hexanes) to furnish the title compound (29.0 mg, 67%, *dr* = >20:1) as a colorless oil.

R_f = 0.50 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.43 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.35 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.27 – 7.20 (m, 1H), 6.61 (d, *J* = 15.9 Hz, 1H), 6.20 (dd, *J* = 15.9, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.78 (dt, *J* = 17.1, 10.0 Hz, 1H), 5.30 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 5.17 (ddd, *J* = 17.1, 2.2, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 4.26 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 1.97 (ddd, *J* = 9.7, 7.4, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 1.92 – 1.82 (m, 1H), 1.76 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 0.93 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.88 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

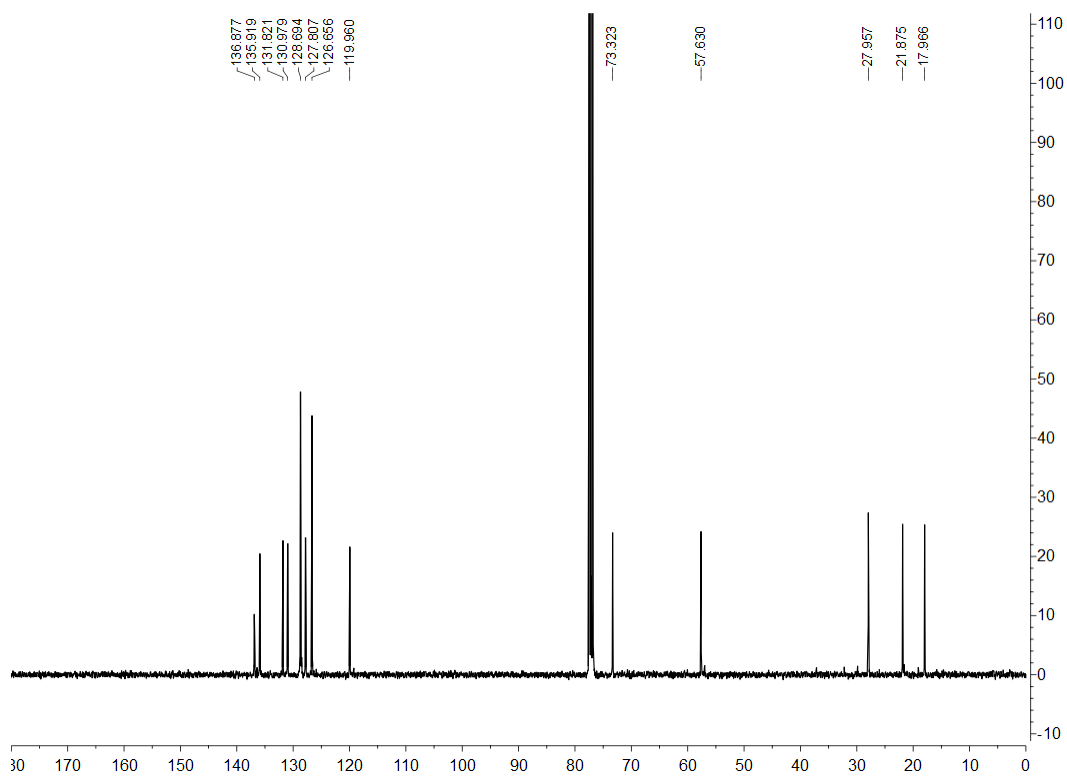
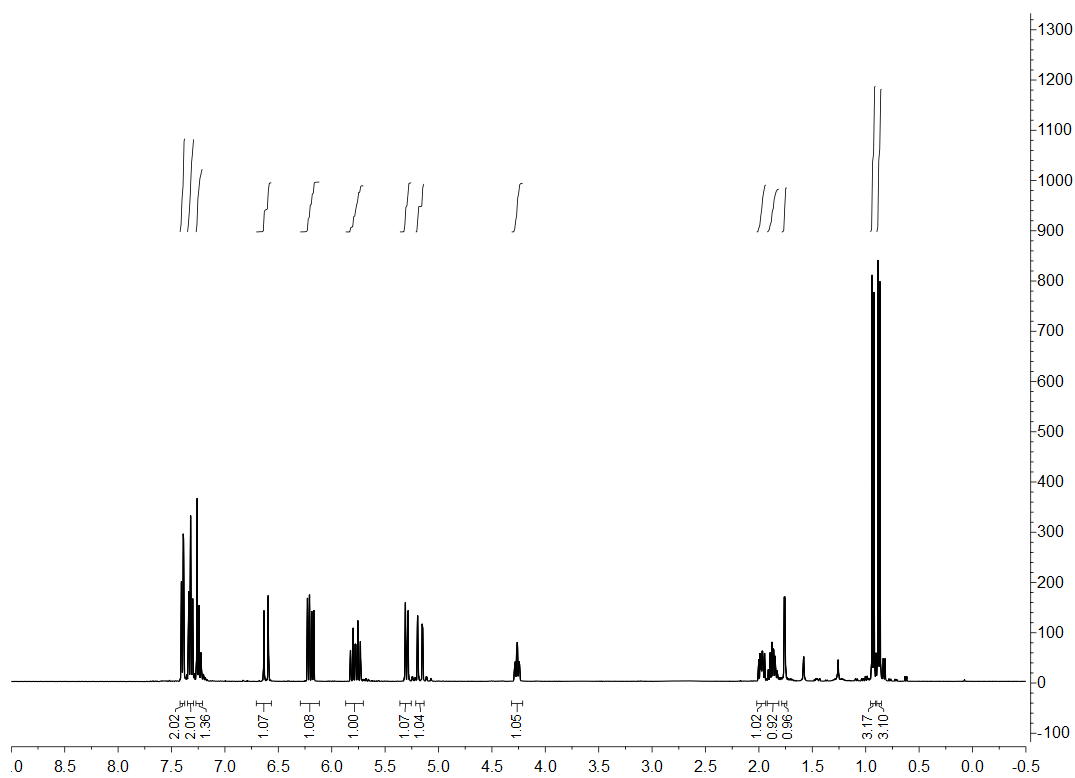
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 136.88, 135.92, 131.82, 130.98, 128.69, 127.81, 126.66, 119.96, 73.32, 57.63, 27.96, 21.88, 17.97.

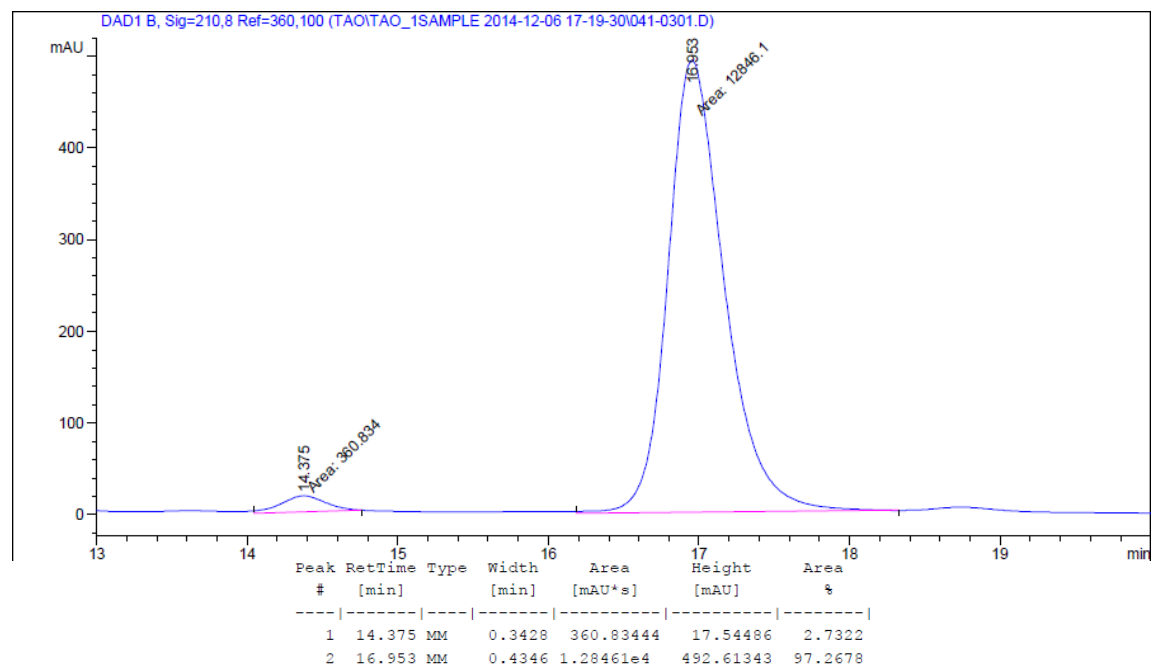
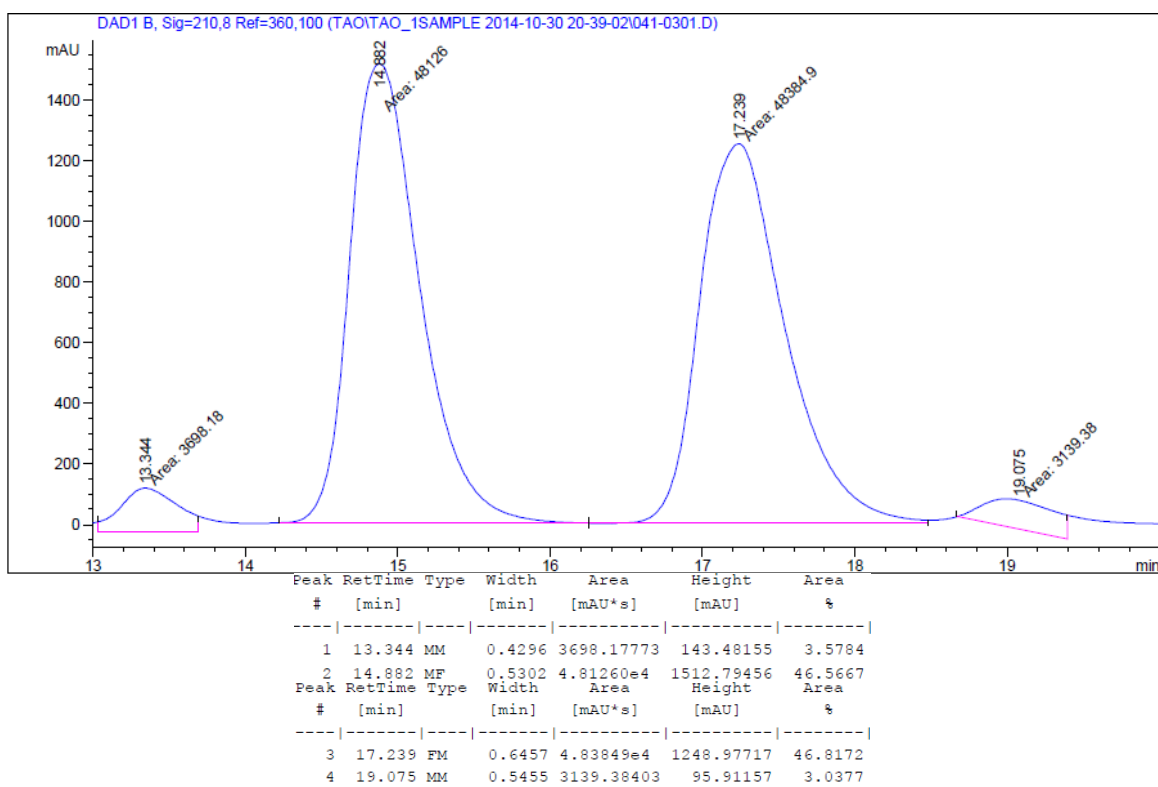
LRMS (CI) Calcd. for C₁₅H₂₀O [M+H]⁺: 217, Found: 217.

FTIR (neat): 3422, 3073, 2957, 2870, 1637, 1494, 1449, 1386, 1002, 966, 751, 693 cm⁻¹.

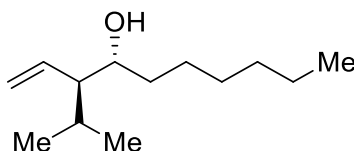
HPLC (Chiralcel AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 96%.

[α]²⁵_D = + 10.0 (c = 0.5, CHCl₃)





(3S,4R)-3-isopropyldec-1-en-4-ol (2.3j).



In modification to the general procedure, 2-PrOH was omitted. The reaction was heated for 48 hours at 125 °C, concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 250 mL of 1:15 Et₂O: Hexanes) to furnish the title compound (28.6 mg, 72%, *dr* = >20:1) as a pale yellow liquid.

R_f = 0.74 (1:5 of Et₂O: Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 5.69 (dt, *J* = 17.2, 10.0 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 5.06 (dd, *J* = 17.1, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.66 (s, 1H), 1.81 (dt, *J* = 13.4, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 1.76 – 1.64 (m, 1H), 1.53 – 1.21 (m, 11H), 0.92 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H), 0.91 – 0.87 (m, 3H), 0.85 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

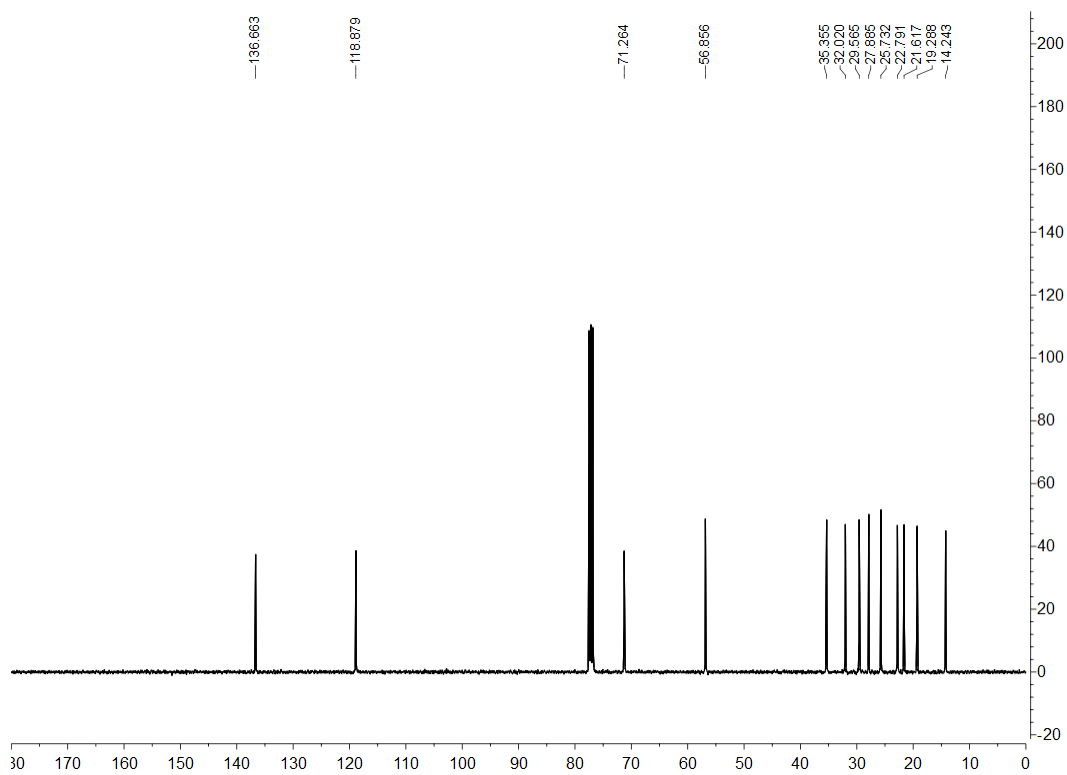
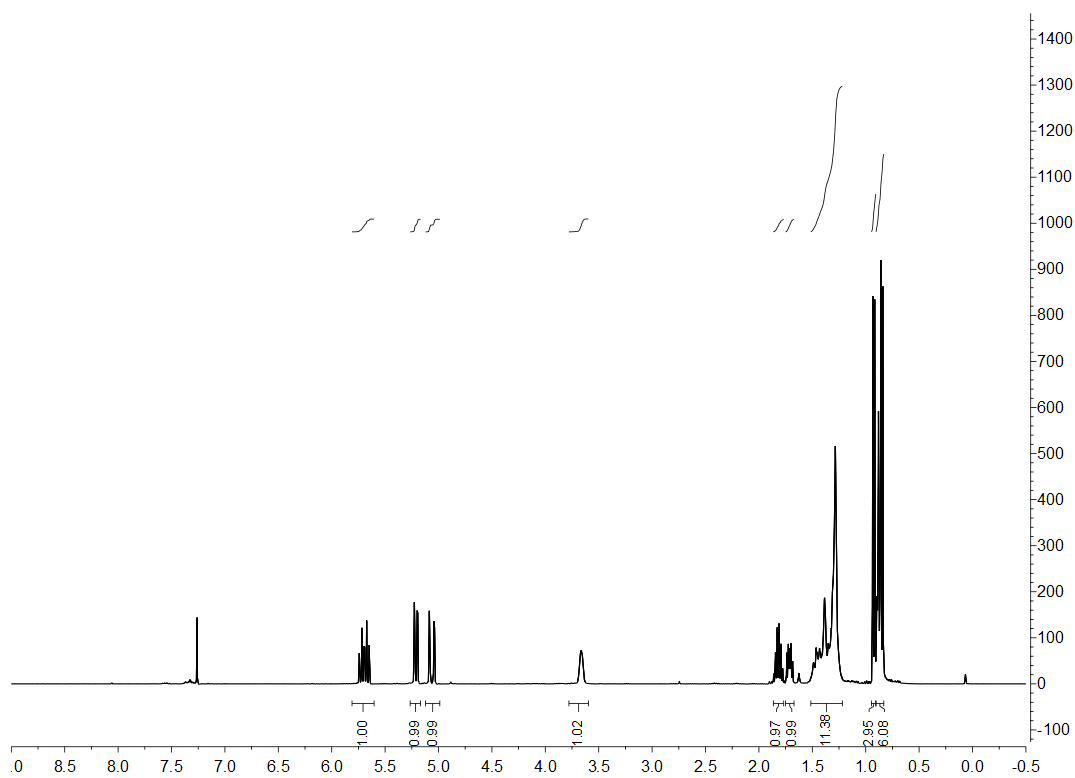
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 136.66, 118.88, 71.26, 56.86, 35.35, 32.02, 29.57, 27.89, 25.73, 22.79, 21.62, 19.29, 14.24.

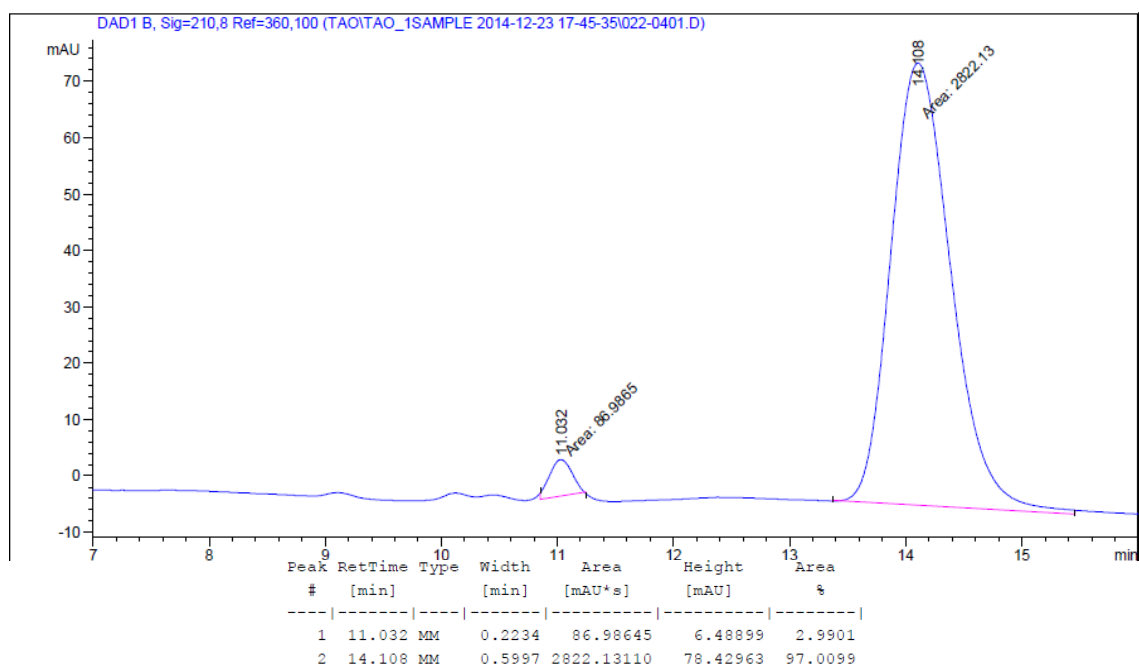
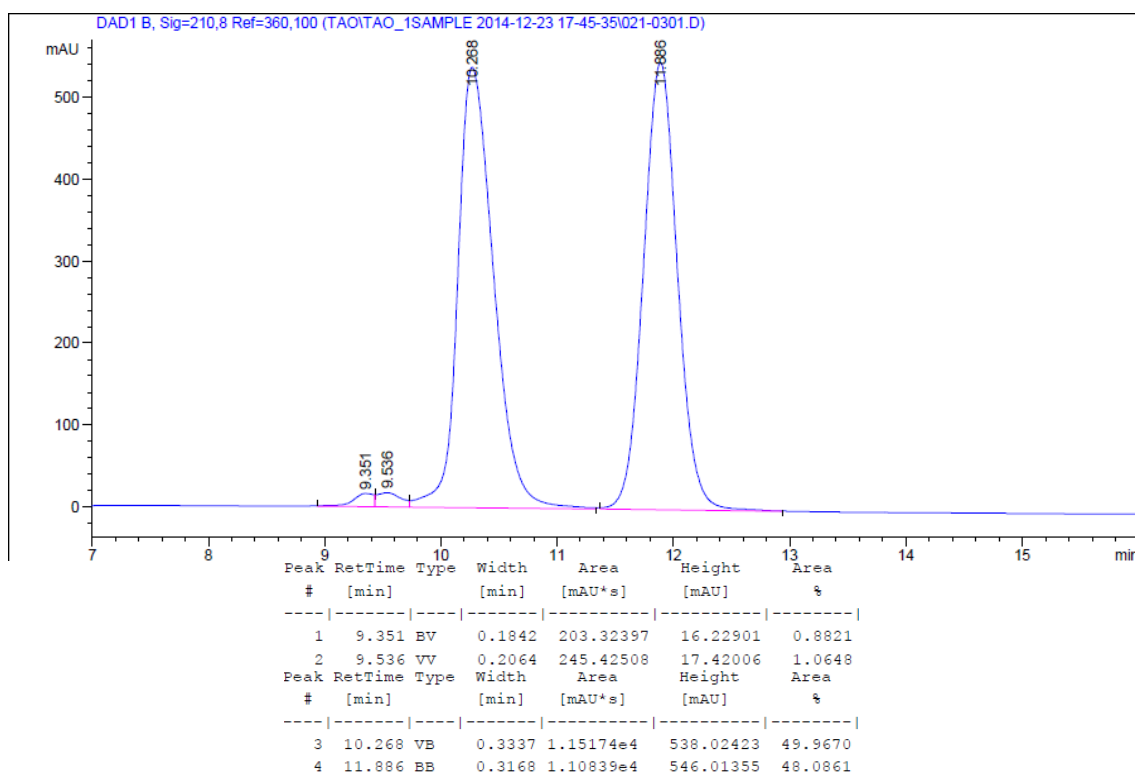
LRMS (CI) Calcd. for C₁₃H₂₆O [M+H]⁺: 199, Found: 199.

FTIR (neat): 3389, 2956, 2928, 1638, 1467, 1368, 1144, 1038, 1003, 911, 725 cm⁻¹.

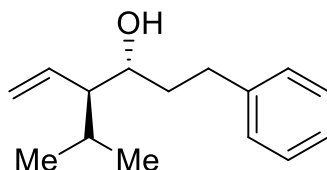
HPLC Enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC analysis of the 4-nitro-benzoate of product (Chiralcel AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 0.50 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 93%.

[α]_D²⁵ = + 15.0 (c = 0.5, CHCl₃)





(3R,4S)-4-isopropyl-1-phenylhex-5-en-3-ol (2.3k).



In modification to the general procedure, 2-PrOH was omitted and the reaction was heated at 125 °C. The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 250 mL of 1:16 Et₂O: Hexanes) to furnish the title compound (28.4 mg, 65%, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid.

R_f = 0.46 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.29 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.24 – 7.14 (m, 3H), 5.71 (dt, *J* = 17.2, 10.0 Hz, 1H), 5.23 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 5.09 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.76 – 3.61 (m, 1H), 2.81 (ddd, *J* = 13.7, 10.1, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 2.68 (ddd, *J* = 13.7, 9.9, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 1.89 – 1.67 (m, 4H), 1.47 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 0.92 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 0.83 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H).

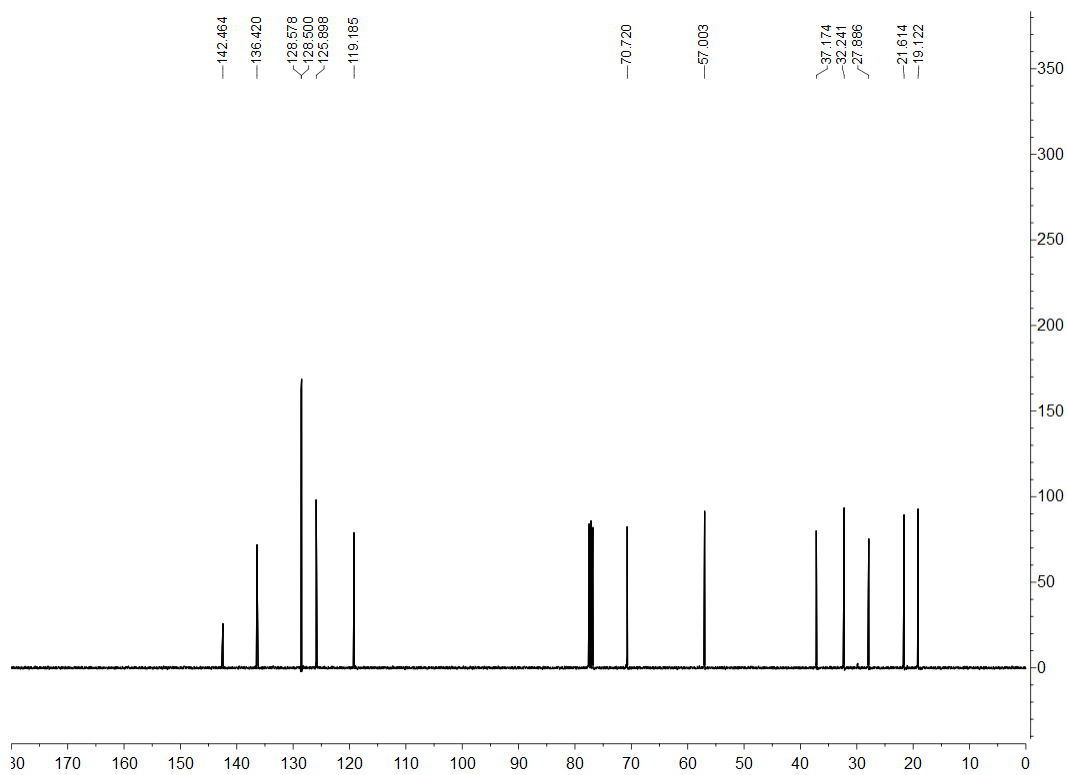
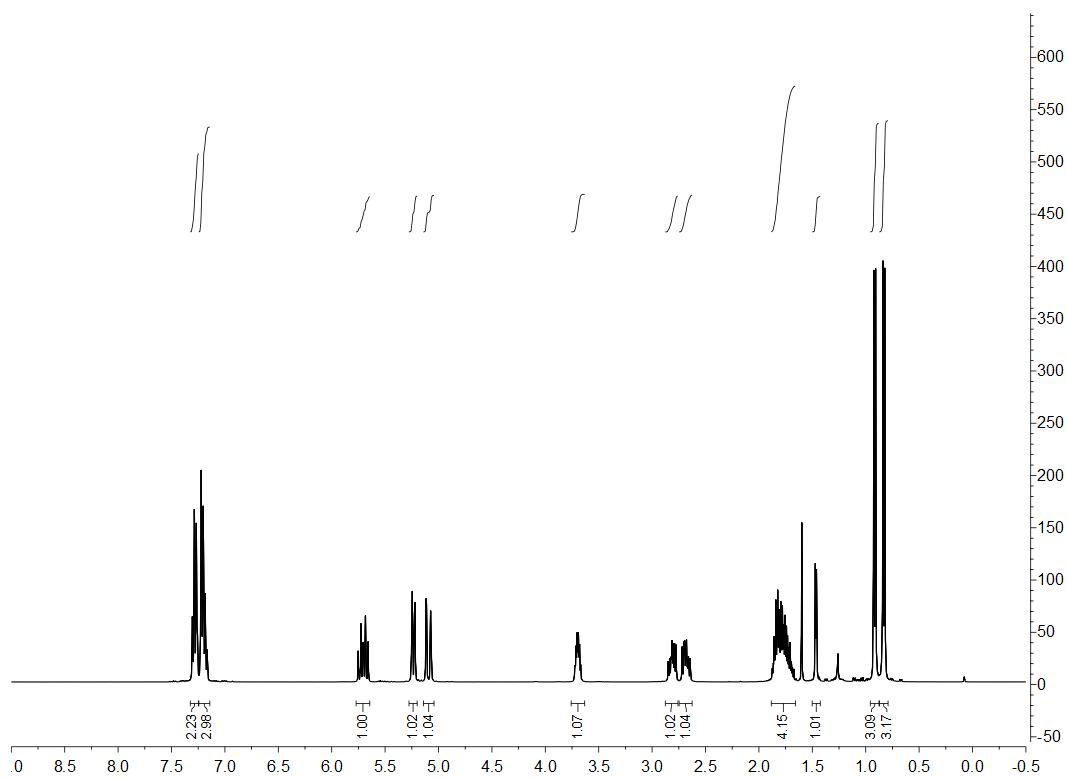
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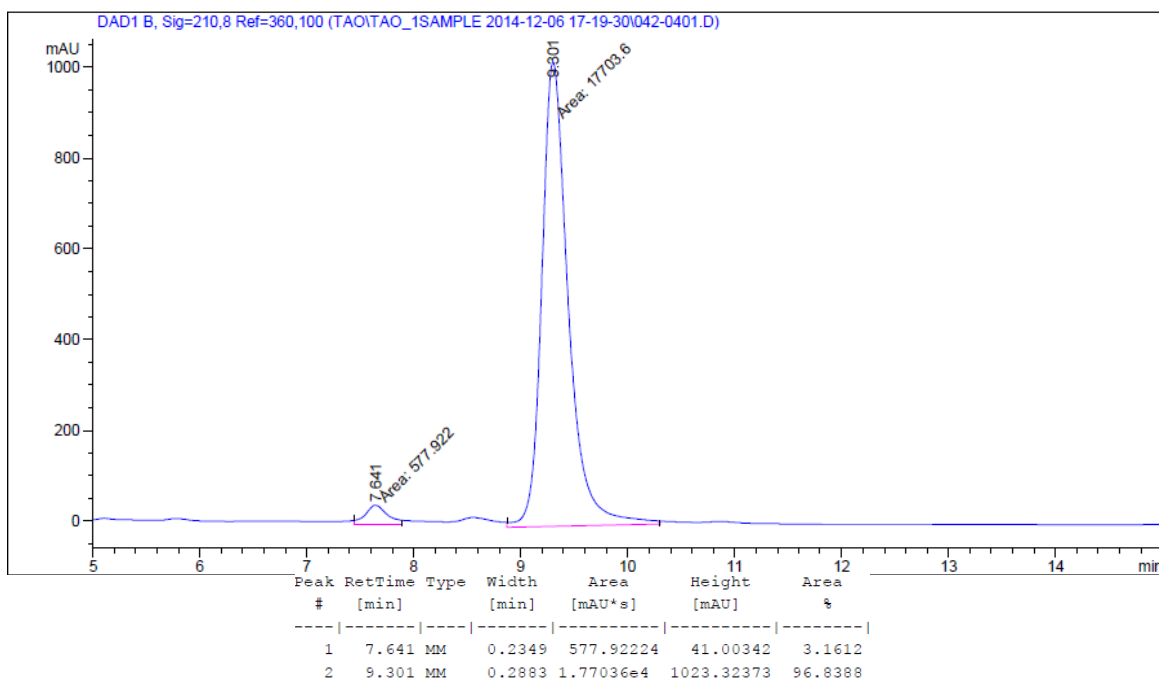
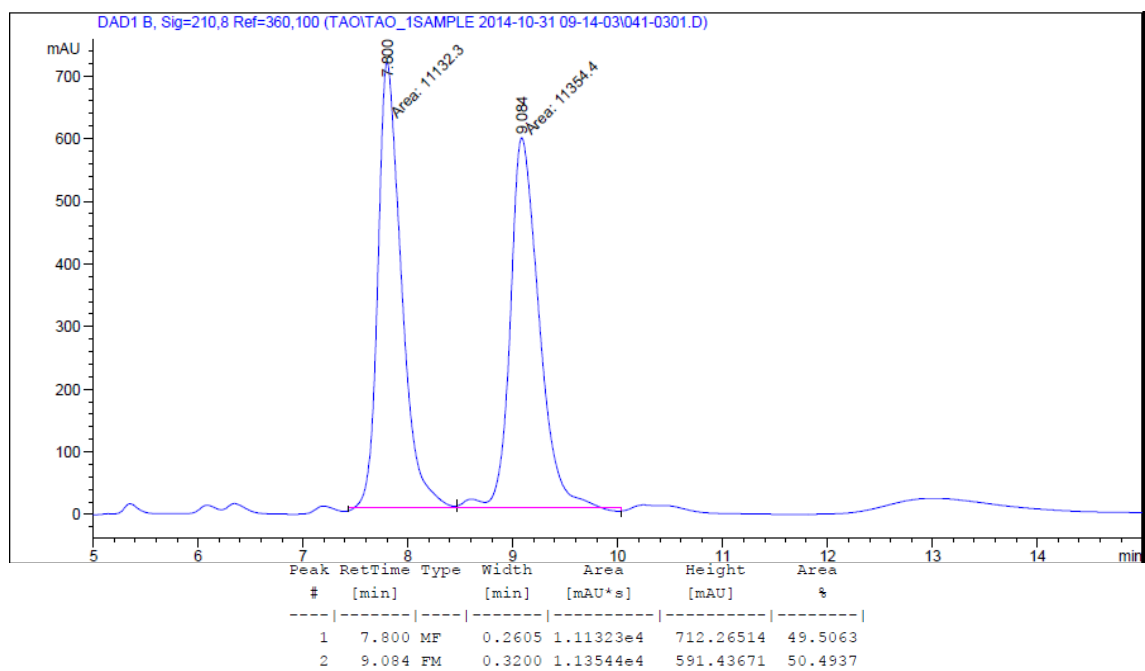
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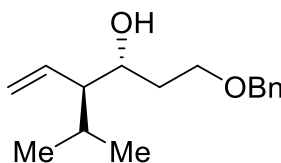
HPLC (Chiralcel AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 94%.

[α]_D²⁵ = + 26.4 (c = 1.1, CHCl₃)





(3R,4S)-1-(benzyloxy)-4-isopropylhex-5-en-3-ol (2.3l).



In modification to the general procedure, 2-PrOH was omitted and the reaction was heated at 125 °C. The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 250 mL of 1:16 Et₂O: Hexanes) to furnish the title compound (32.7 mg, 66%, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid.

R_f = 0.40 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.37 – 7.27 (m, 5H), 5.74 (dt, *J* = 17.2, 10.1 Hz, 1H), 5.17 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (ddd, *J* = 17.2, 2.3, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 4.52 (s, 2H), 3.99 – 3.92 (m, 1H), 3.76 – 3.60 (m, 2H), 2.53 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 1.89 – 1.73 (m, 2H), 1.71 – 1.60 (m, 2H), 0.95 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H), 0.85 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

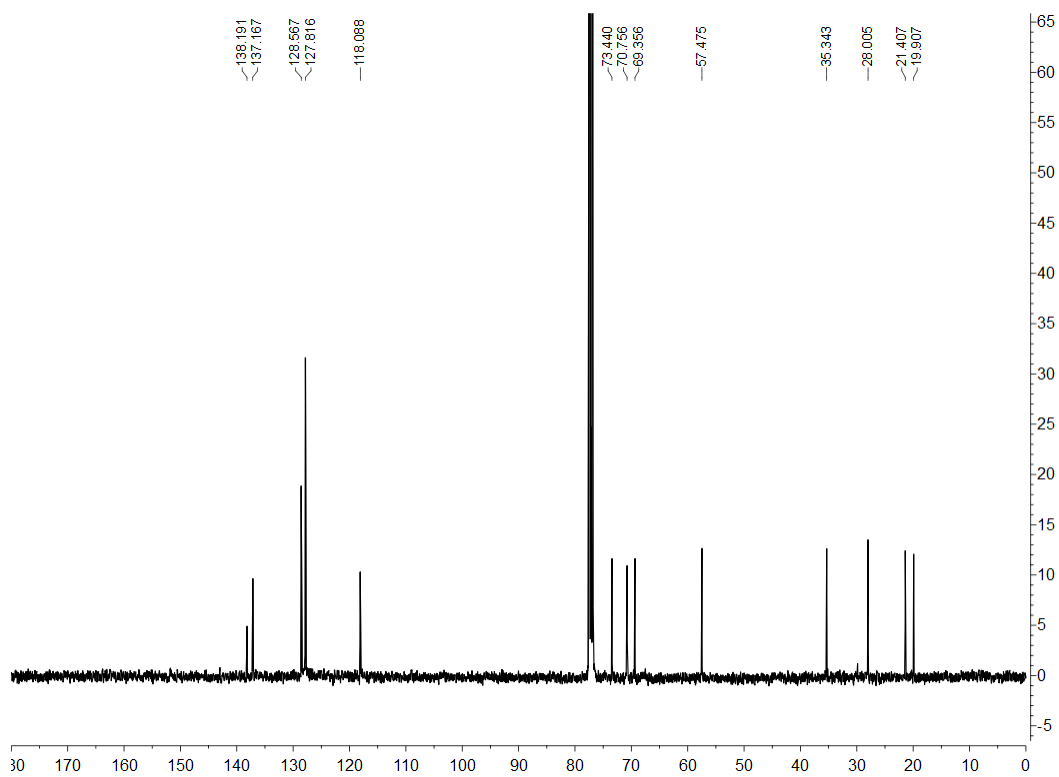
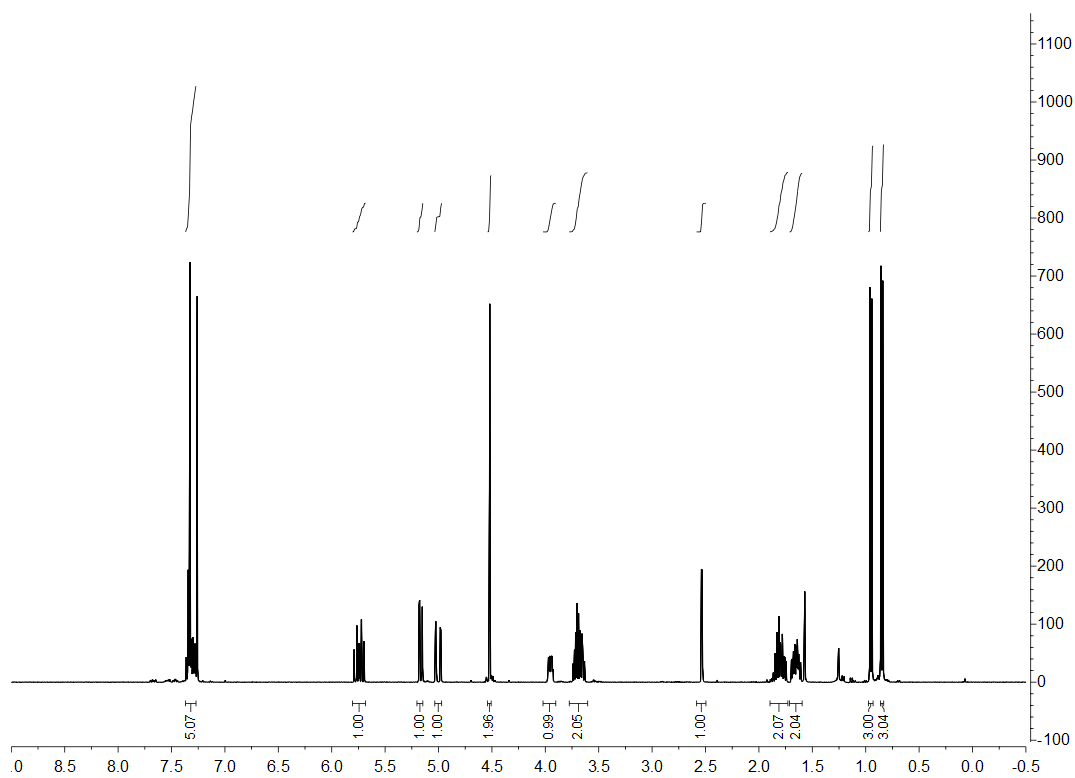
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 138.19, 137.17, 128.57, 127.82, 118.09, 73.44, 70.76, 69.36, 57.48, 35.34, 28.01, 21.41, 19.91.

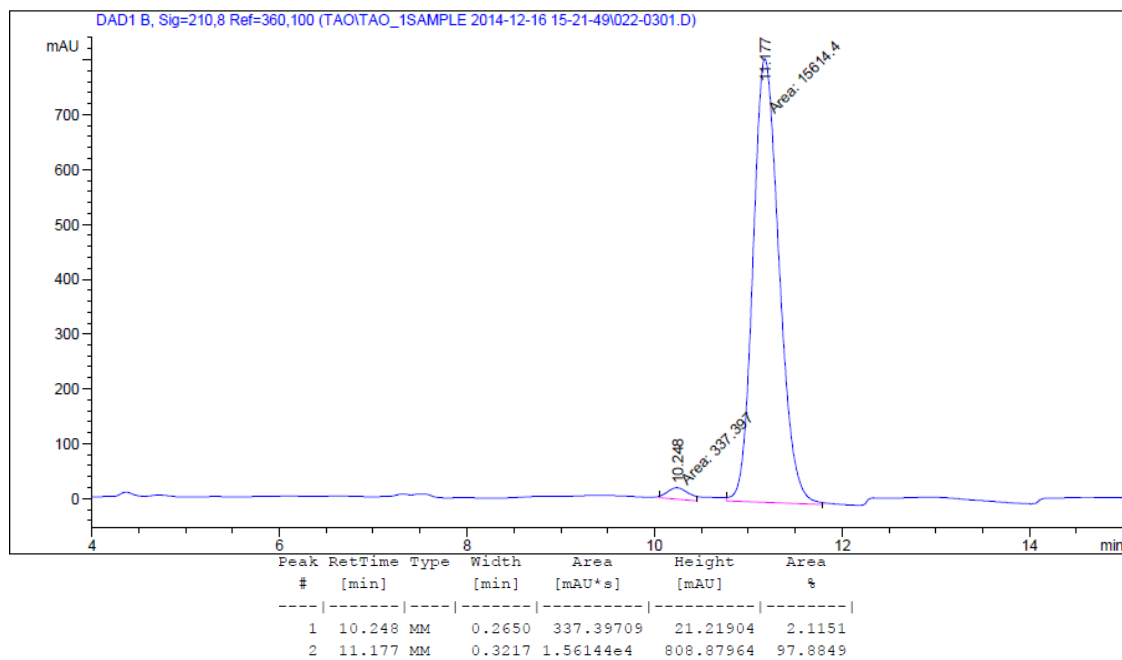
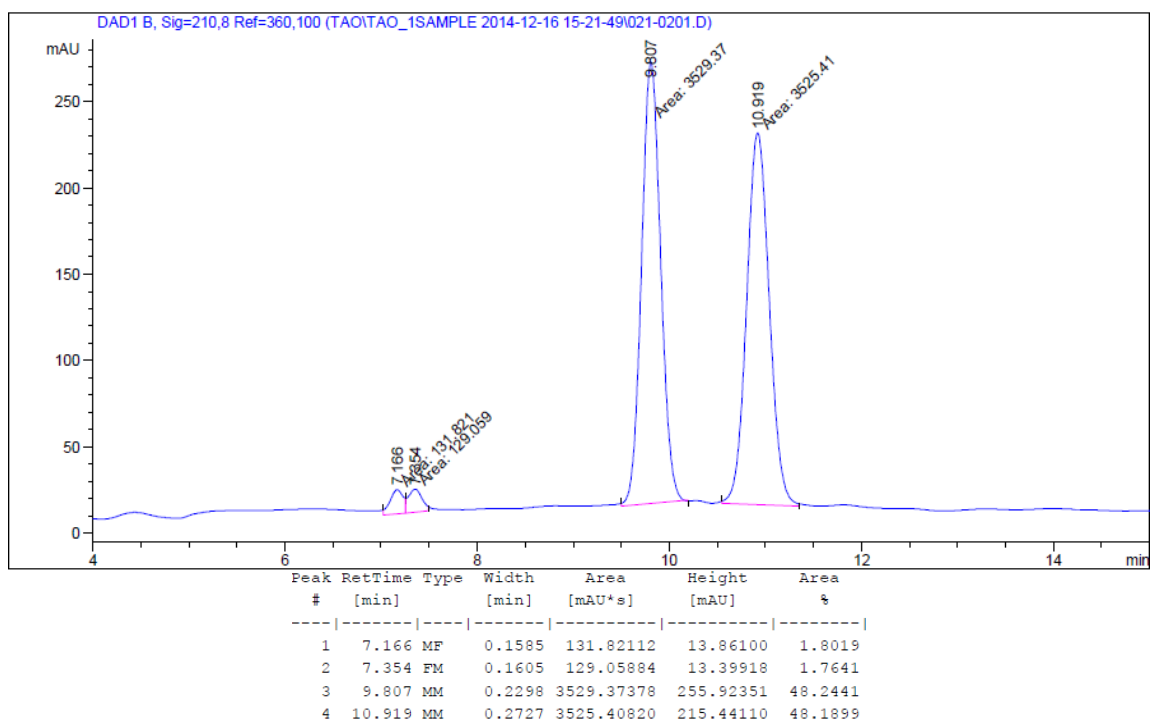
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FTIR (neat): 3491, 3067, 2954, 2926, 1496, 1386, 1095, 1028, 913, 737, 697 cm⁻¹.

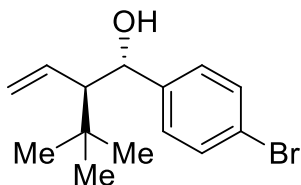
HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 96%.

[α]_D²⁵ = + 21.6 (c = 0.5, CHCl₃)





(1S,2R)-1-(4-bromophenyl)-2-(tert-butyl)but-3-en-1-ol (2.3m).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification (SiO₂, 200 mL of 10% EtOAc/Hexanes) to furnish the title compound (42.5 mg, 75%, *dr* = >20:1) as a pale white solid.

R_f = 0.49 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.44 – 7.40 (m, 2H), 7.16 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 5.89 (dt, *J* = 17.2, 10.2 Hz, 1H), 5.10 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 5.05 – 5.01 (m, 1H), 4.65 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 1.90 (dd, *J* = 10.1, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 1.74 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 1.00 (s, 9H).

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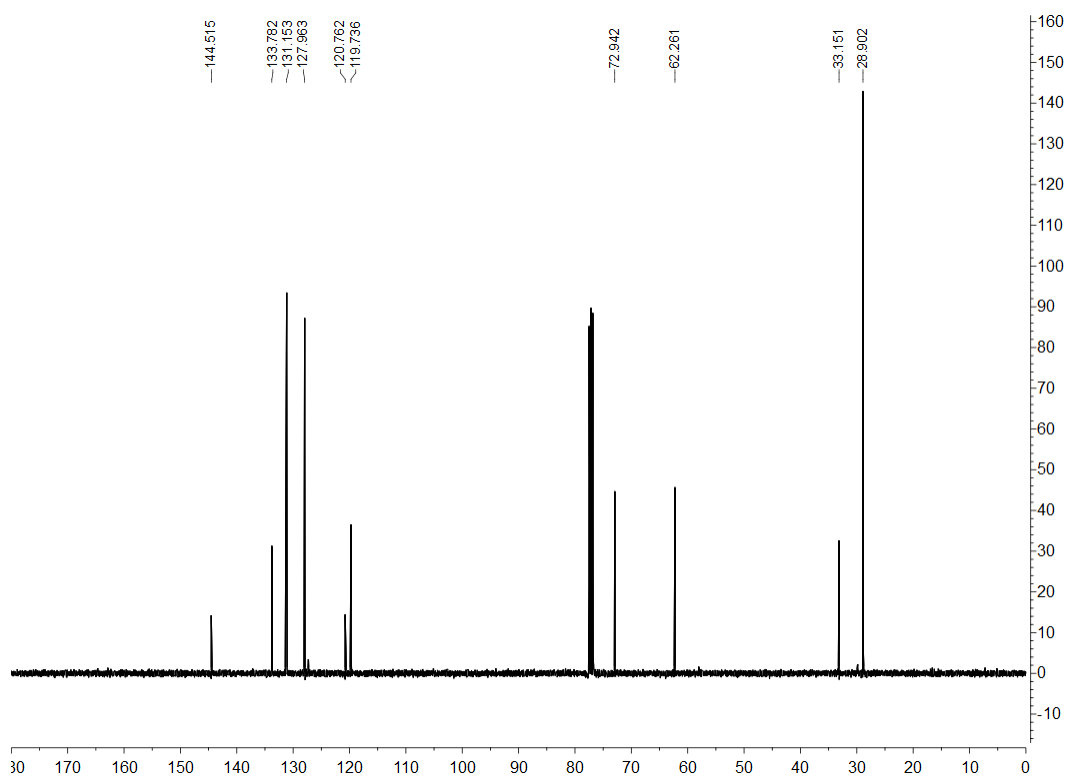
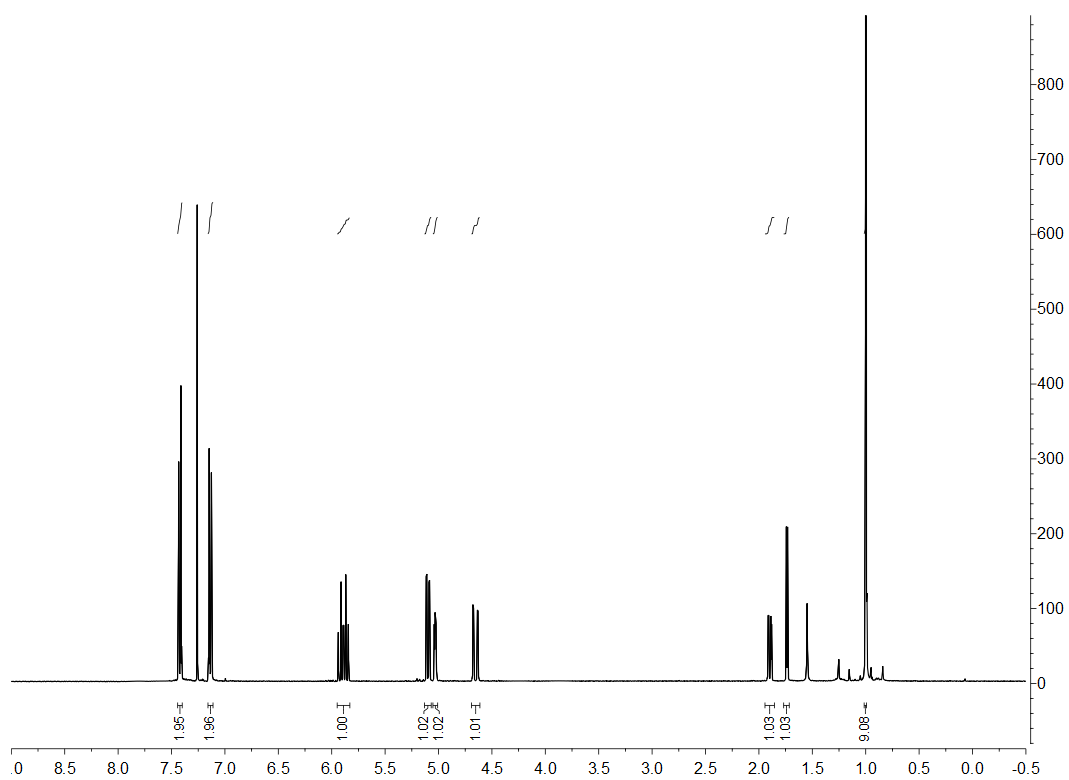
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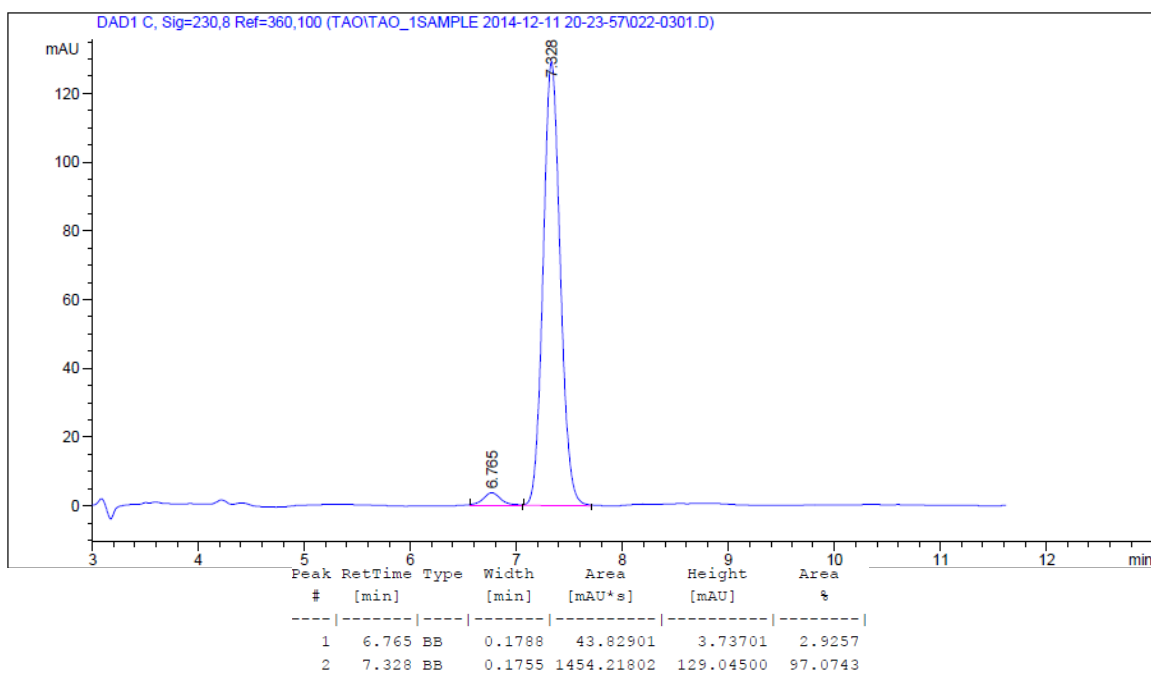
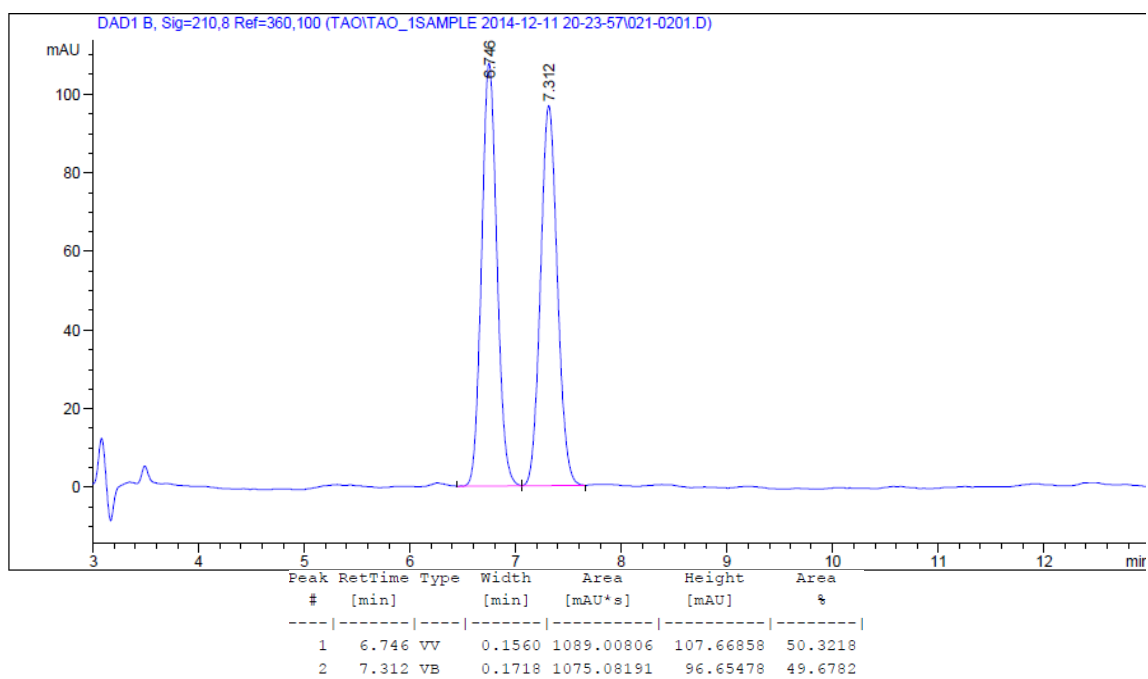
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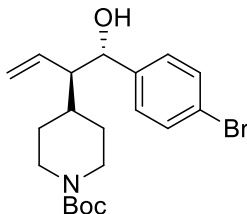
HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 94%.

[α]²⁵_D = -10.5 (c = 0.5, CHCl₃)





tert-butyl 4-((1S,2R)-1-(4-bromophenyl)-1-hydroxybut-3-en-2-yl)piperidine-1-carboxylate (2.3n).



In modification to the general procedure, the reaction was extended for 72 hours. The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 200 mL of 30% Et₂O/Hexanes followed by 150 mL of 40% Et₂O/Hexanes) to furnish the title compound (53.3 mg, 65%, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid.

R_f = 0.30 (50% Et₂O/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.49 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.20 – 7.15 (m, 2H), 5.73 (dt, *J* = 17.1, 10.1 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 4.99 (d, *J* = 17.5 Hz, 1H), 4.72 (dd, *J* = 6.7, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 4.07 (s, 2H), 2.63 – 2.41 (m, 2H), 2.11 – 2.03 (m, 2H), 1.63 – 1.13 (m, 14H).

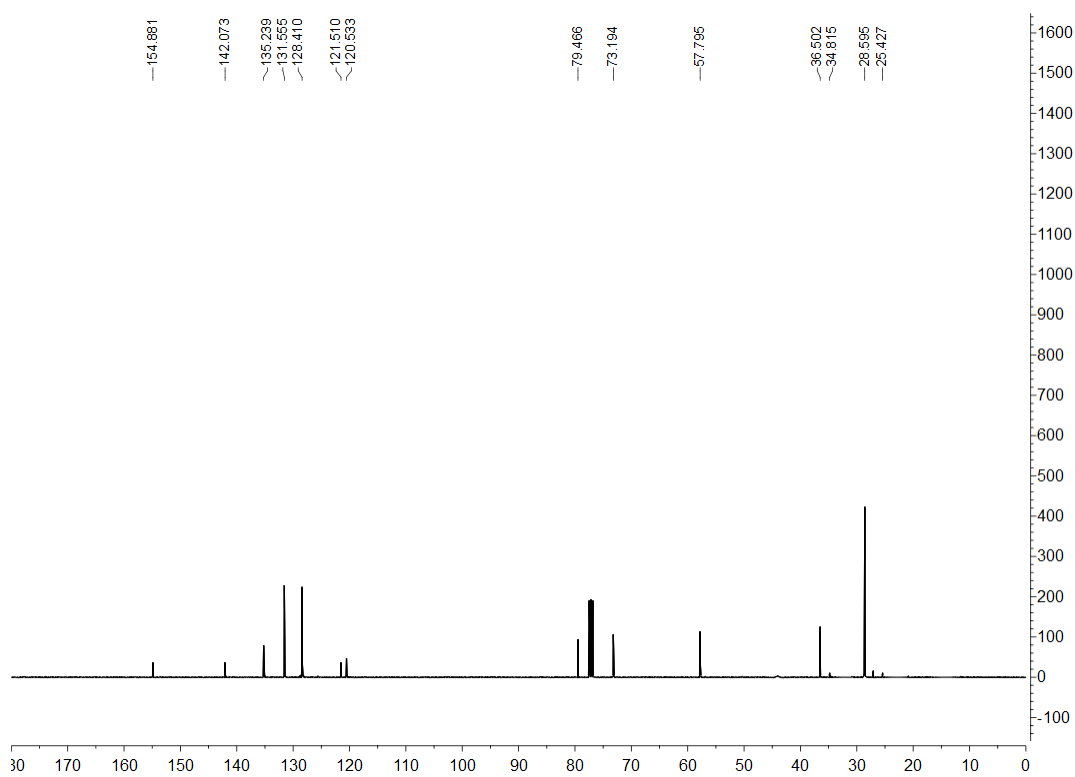
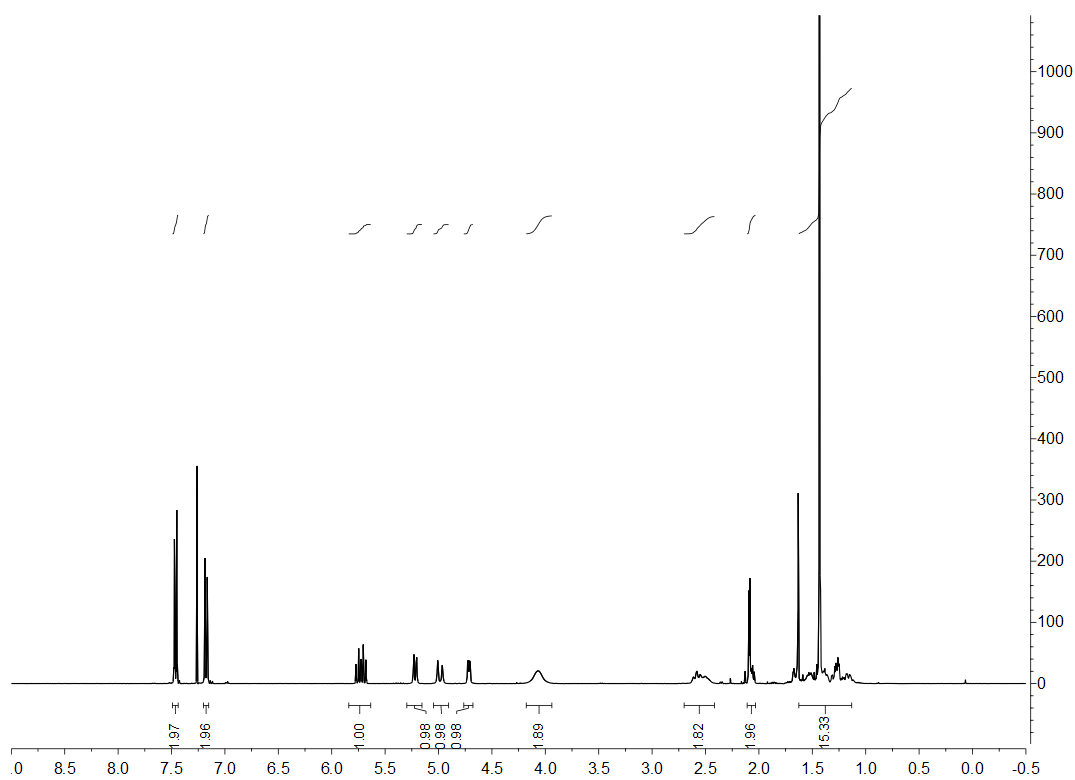
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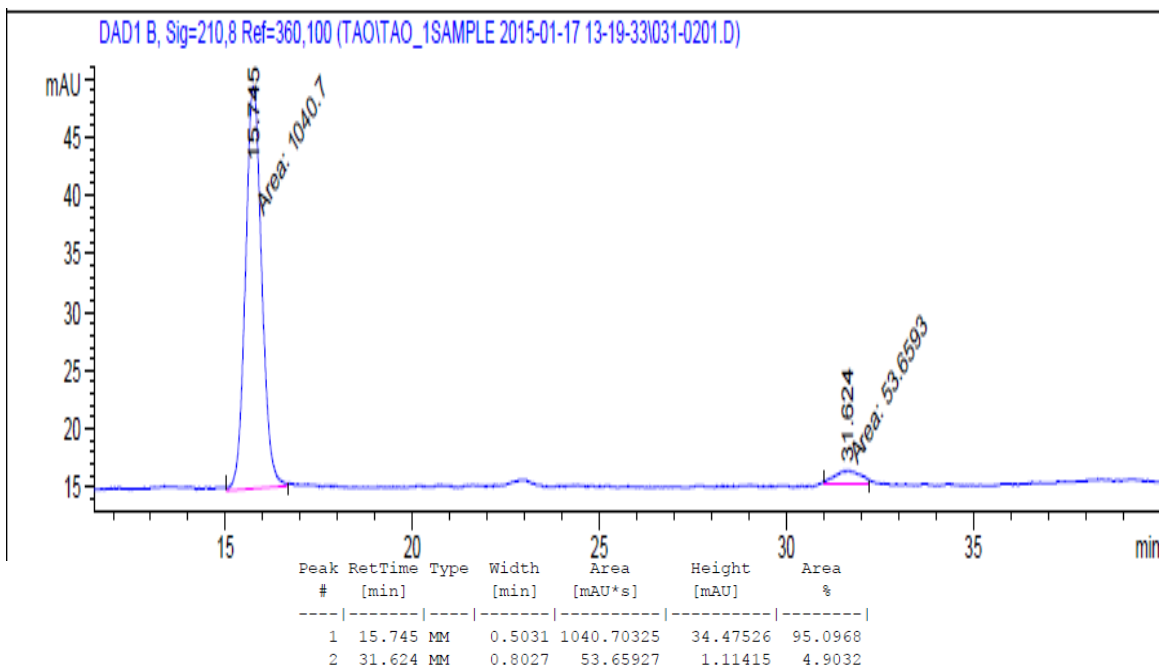
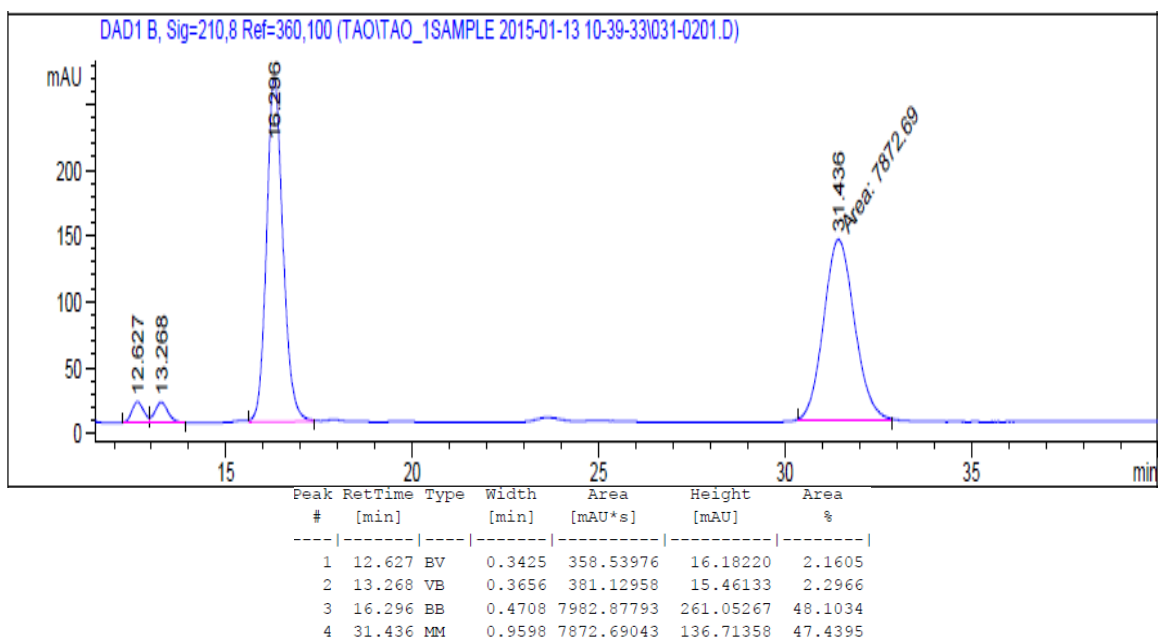
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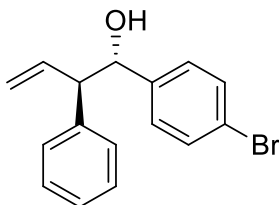
HPLC (Chiralcel AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 90%.

[α]_D²⁵ = - 5.66 (c = 0.5, CHCl₃)





(1S,2R)-1-(4-bromophenyl)-2-phenylbut-3-en-1-ol (2.3o).



In modification to the general procedure, the reaction was heated at 75 °C for 72 hours. The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 300 mL of 5% EtOAc/Hexanes) to furnish the title compound (40.6 mg, 67%, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid.

R_f = 0.56 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.35 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.25 – 7.14 (m, 3H), 7.06 – 6.98 (m, 4H), 6.27 – 6.18 (m, 1H), 5.36 – 5.18 (m, 2H), 4.80 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 3.47 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (s, 1H).

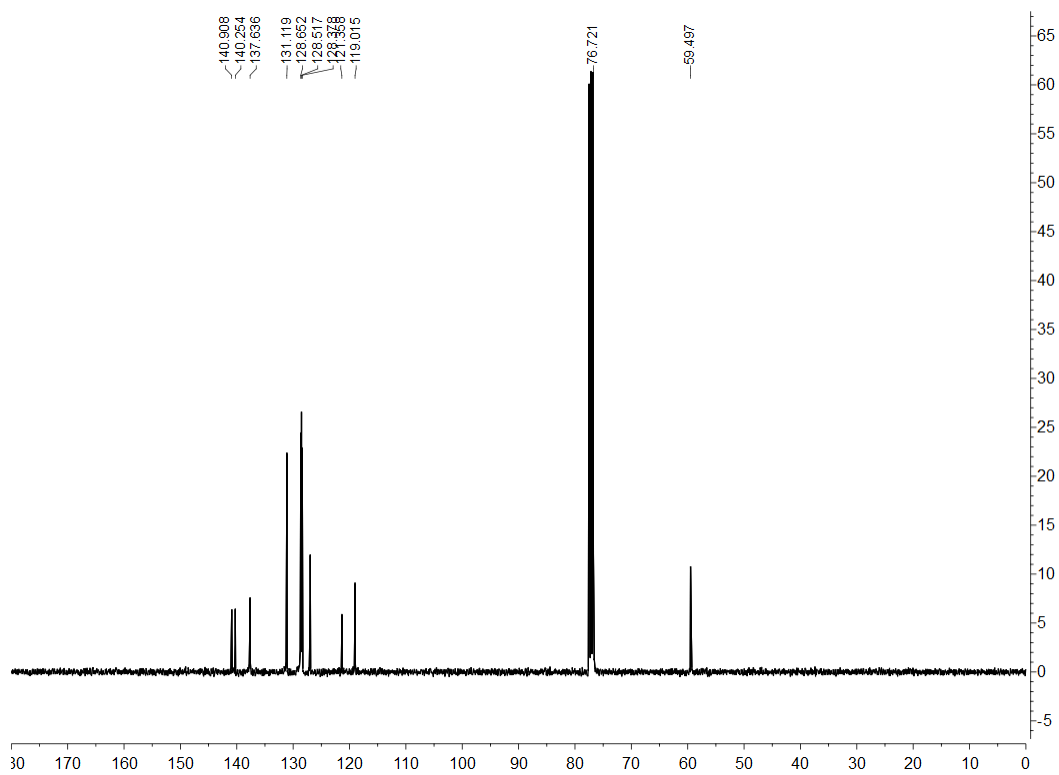
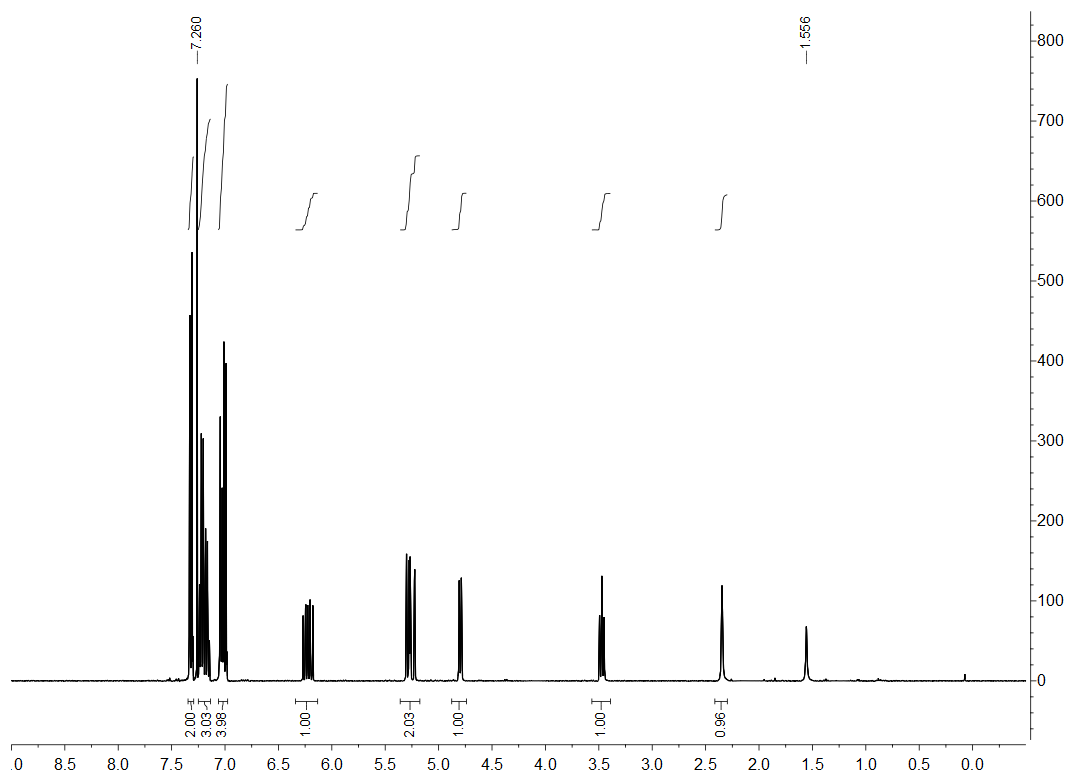
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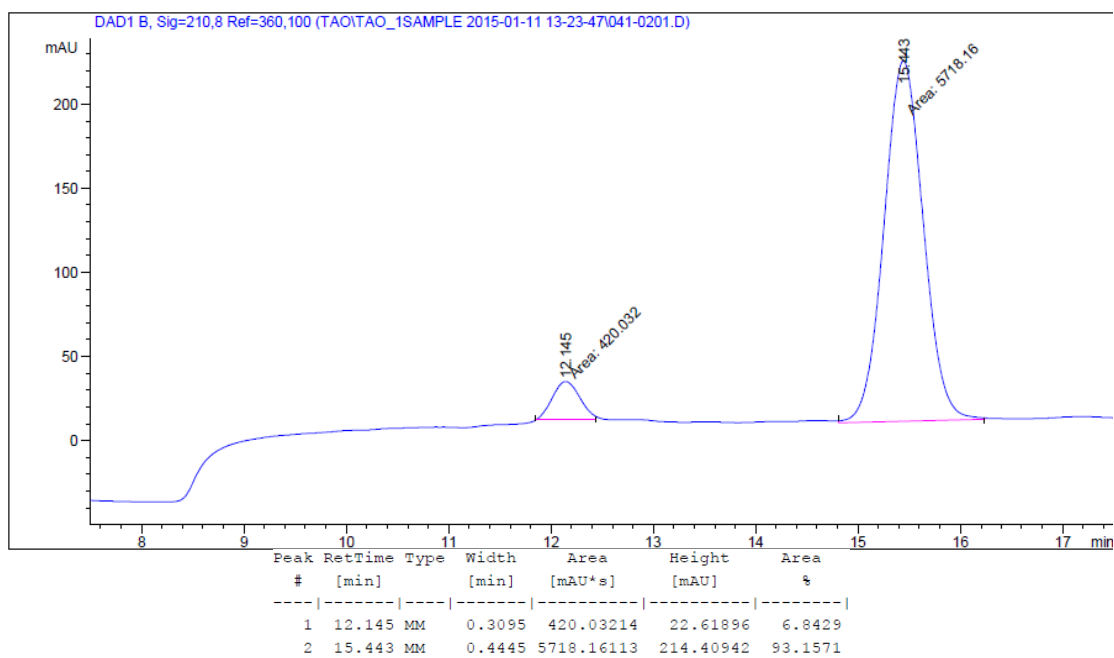
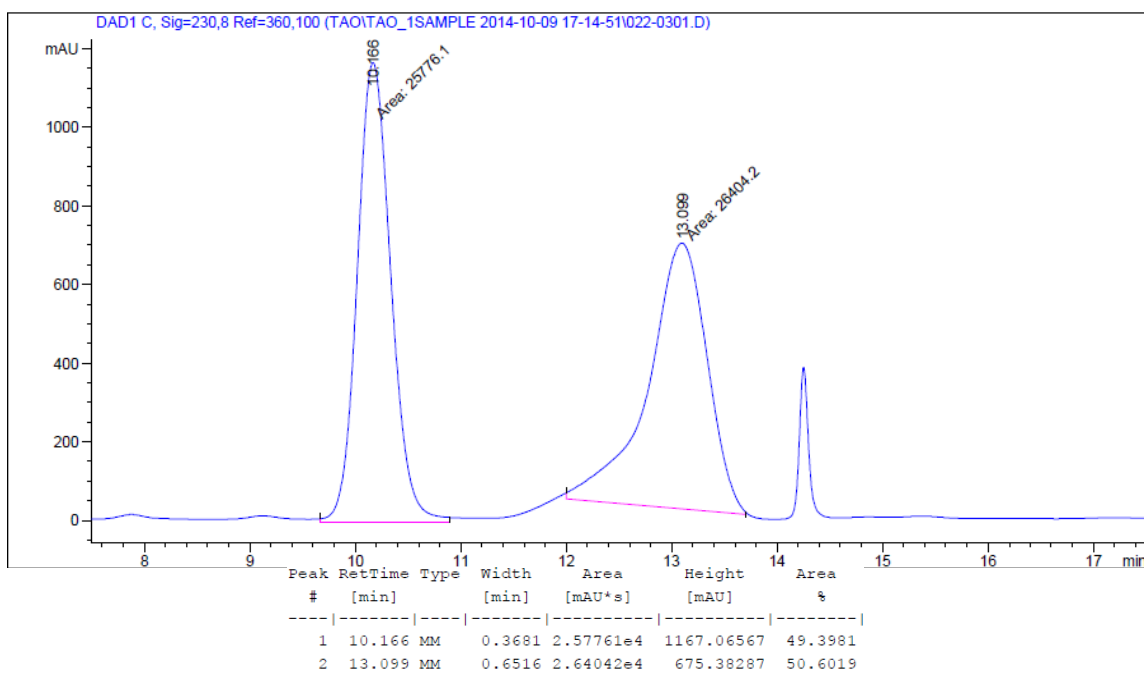
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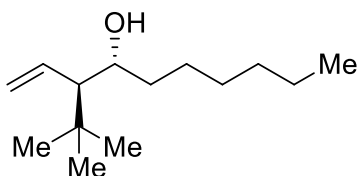
HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 86%.

[α]²⁵_D = +19.8 (c = 0.5, CHCl₃)





(3R,4R)-3-(tert-butyl)dec-1-en-4-ol (2.3p).



In modification to the general procedure, 2-PrOH was omitted and the reaction was heated for 72 hours, concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 250 mL of 1:9 Et₂O: Hexanes) to furnish the title compound (25.9 mg, 61%, *dr* = >20:1) as a pale yellow liquid.

R_f = 0.50 (1:5 of Et₂O: Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 5.85 (dt, *J* = 17.2, 10.2 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 4.99 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 1H), 1.65 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 1.45 – 1.23 (m, 10H), 1.09 – 1.00 (m, 1H), 0.95 (s, 9H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

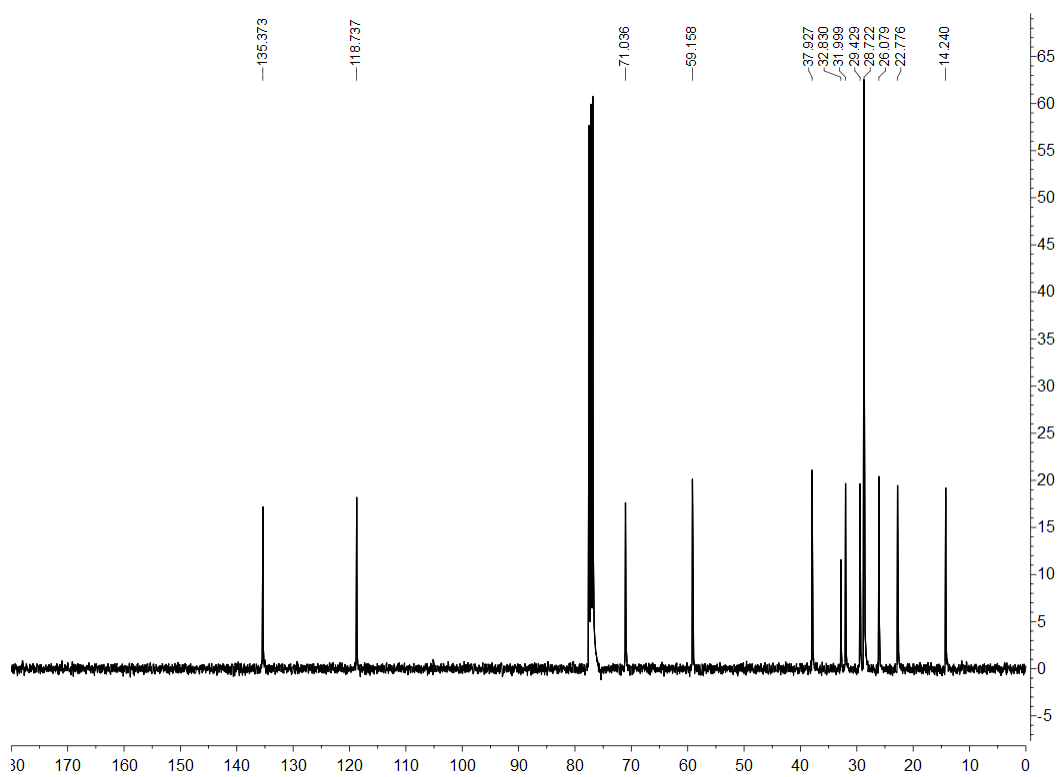
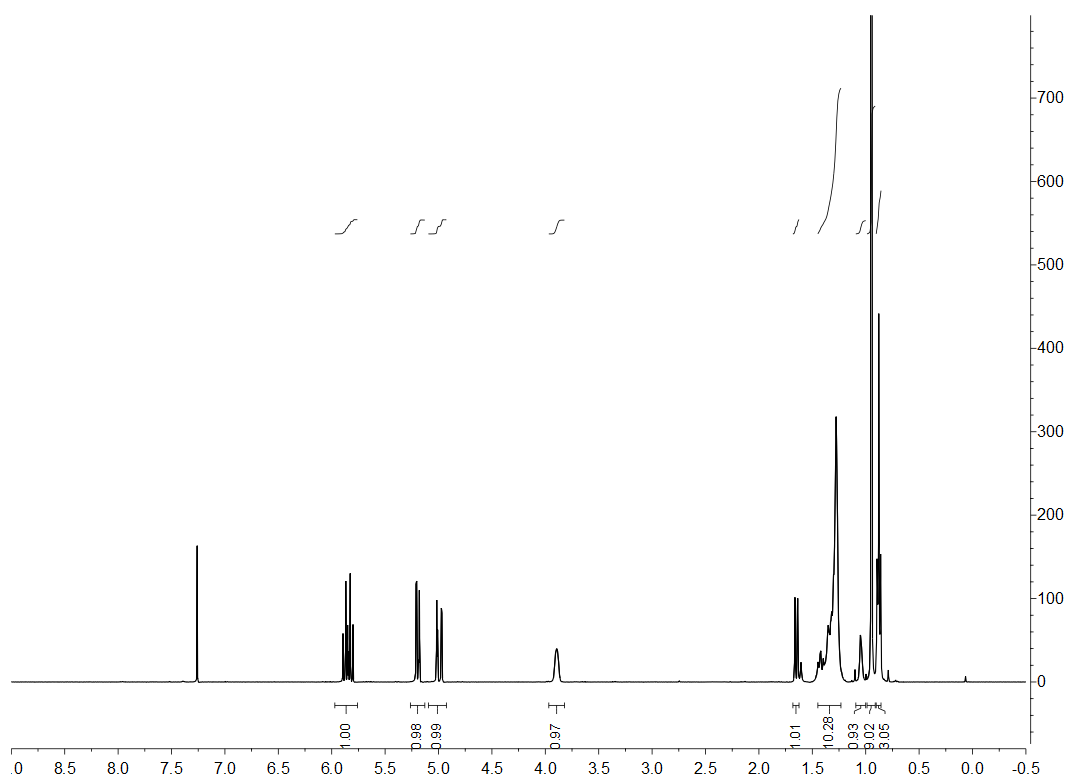
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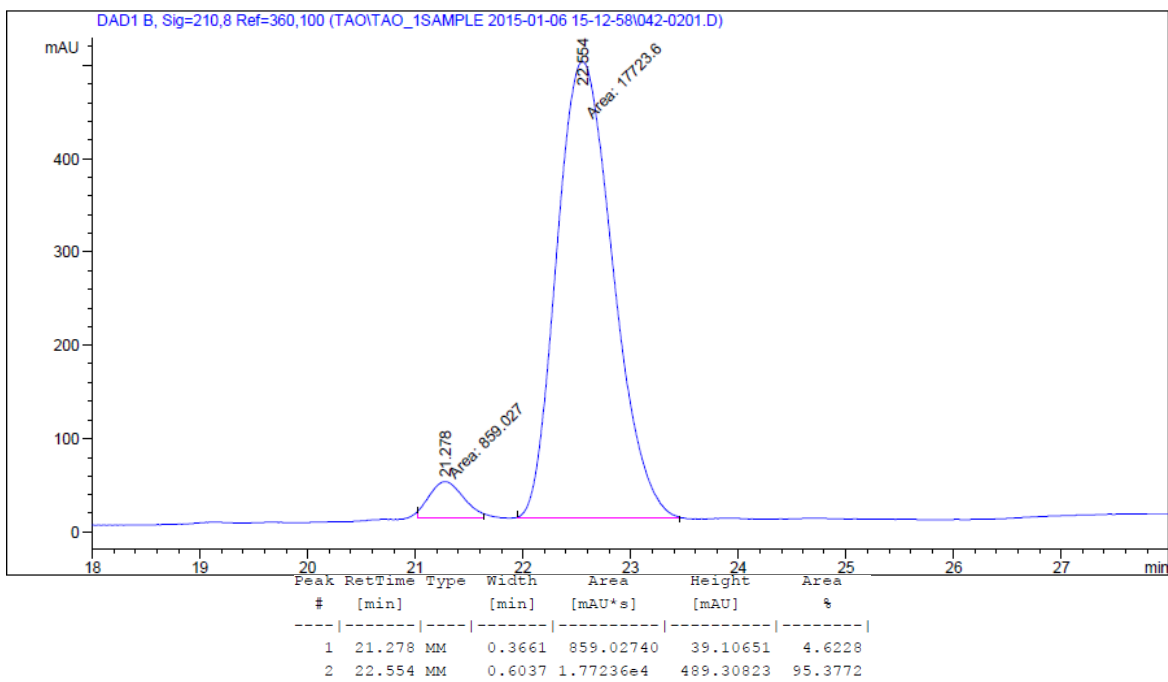
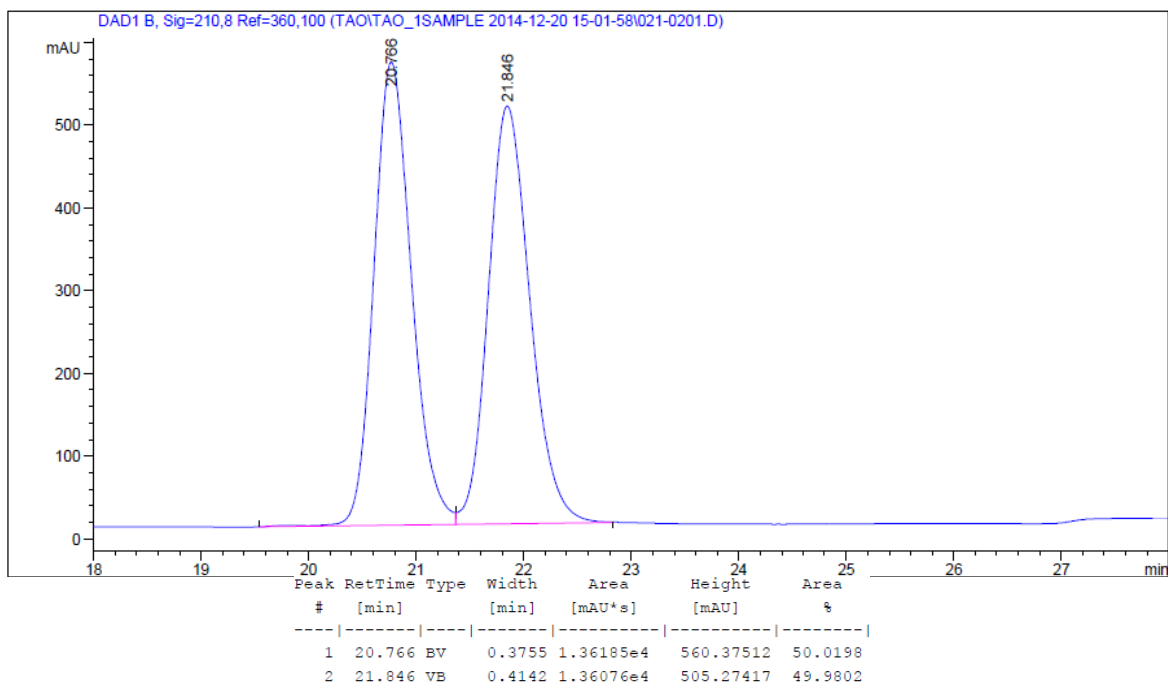
LRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₄H₂₈O [M+H]⁺: 213, Found: 213.

FTIR (neat): 3415, 2954, 2930, 2858, 1637, 1466, 1364, 1006, 913, 727 cm⁻¹.

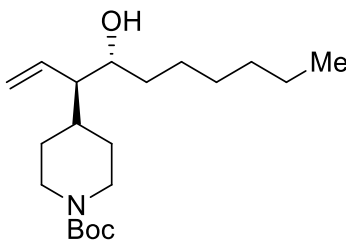
HPLC Enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC analysis of the 4-nitro-benzoate of product (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 0.50 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 90%.

[α]_D²⁵ = +21.8 (c = 0.57, CHCl₃)





tert-butyl 4-((3R,4R)-4-hydroxydec-1-en-3-yl)piperidine-1-carboxylate (2.3q).



In modification to the general procedure, the loading of Ruthenium catalyst was 7.5%. The reaction was omitted 2-PrOH and heated for 48 hours, concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 200 mL of 30% Et₂O/Hexanes followed by 150 mL of 40% Et₂O/Hexanes) to furnish the title compound (46.1 mg, 68%, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow oil.

R_f = 0.33 (50% Et₂O/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 5.68 (dt, *J* = 17.2, 10.1 Hz, 1H), 5.20 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 5.03 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 4.09 (s, 2H), 3.73 (dd, *J* = 10.0, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 2.78 – 2.57 (m, 2H), 1.82 – 1.60 (m, 4H), 1.46 – 1.07 (m, 22H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H).

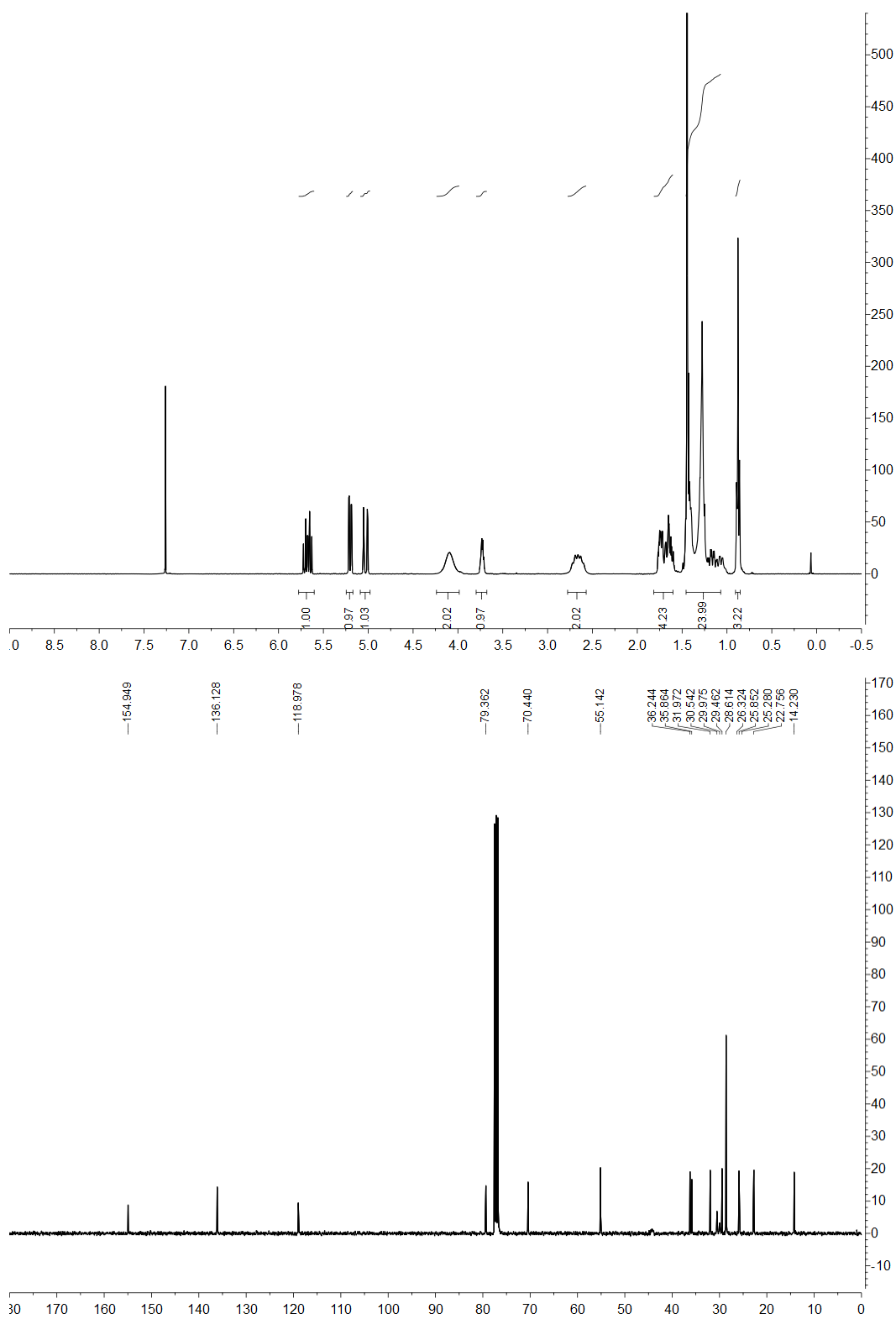
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 154.9, 136.1, 119.0, 79.4, 70.4, 55.1, 36.2, 35.9, 32.0, 30.5, 30.0, 29.5, 28.6, 26.3, 25.9, 25.3, 22.8, 14.2.

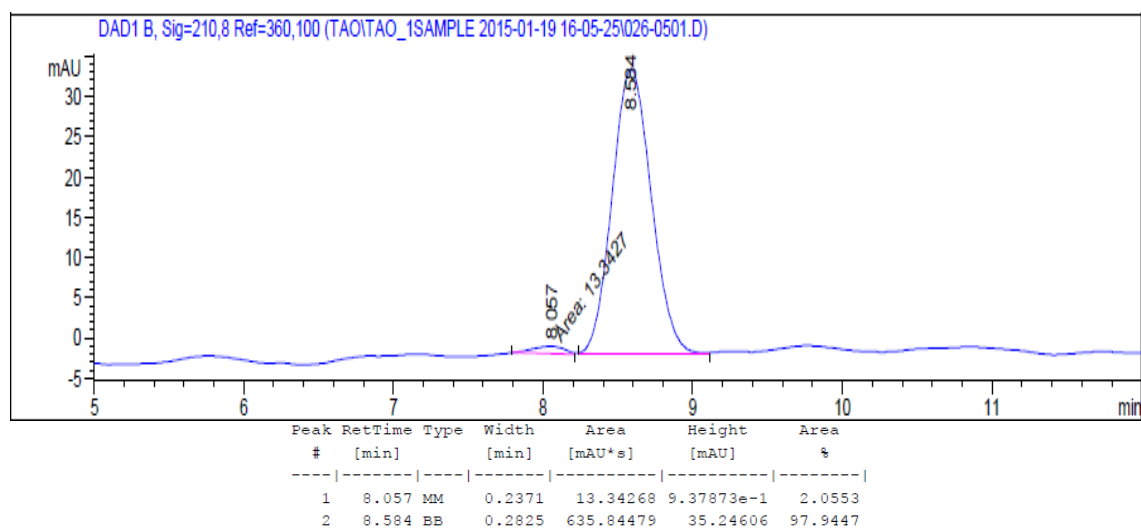
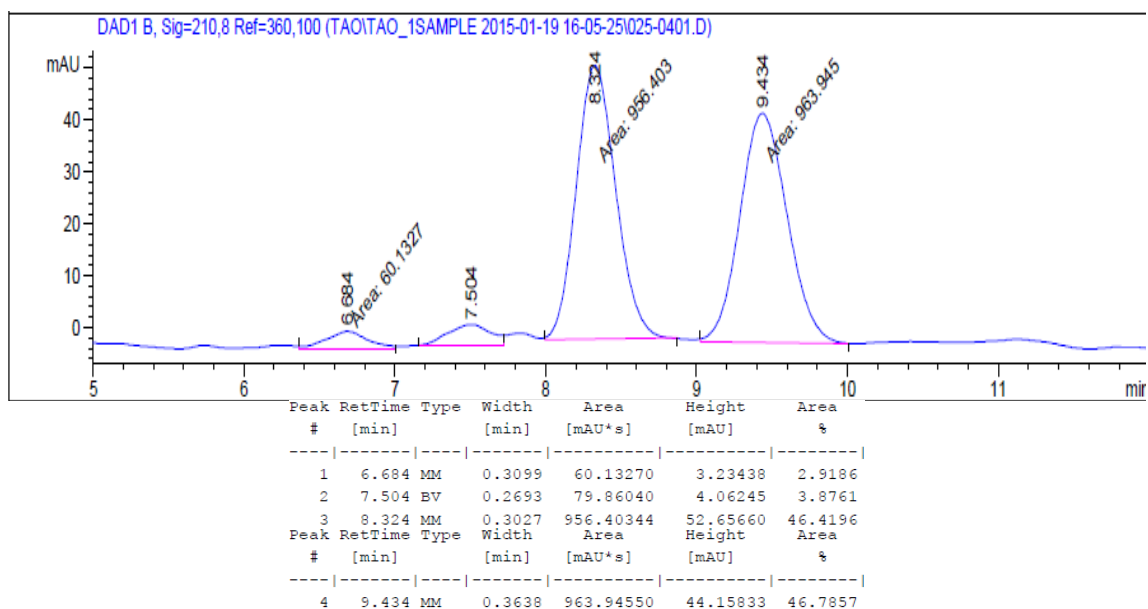
LRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₂₀H₃₇NO₃ [M+Na]⁺: 362, Found: 362.

FTIR (neat): 3471, 2952, 2853, 1673, 1427, 1366, 1172, 1073, 911, 669 cm⁻¹.

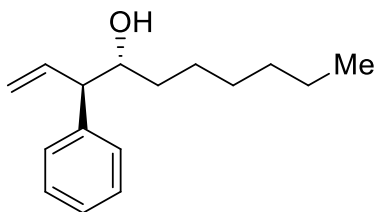
HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 97:3, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 96%.

[α]²⁵_D = +5.7 (c = 0.5, CHCl₃)





(3R,4R)-3-phenyldec-1-en-4-ol (2.3r).



In modification to the general procedure, the reaction was omitted 2-PrOH and heated for 48 hours, concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 300 mL of 5% EtOAc/Hexanes) to furnish the title compound (40.1 mg, 77%, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow oil.

R_f = 0.65 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.35 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.25 – 7.17 (m, 3H), 6.12 (ddd, *J* = 17.0, 10.3, 9.2 Hz, 1H), 5.23 (ddd, *J* = 10.4, 1.6, 0.4 Hz, 1H), 5.20 (ddd, *J* = 17.0, 1.7, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 3.82 – 3.73 (m, 1H), 3.24 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 1.78 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 1.52 – 1.12 (m, 10H), 0.85 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H).

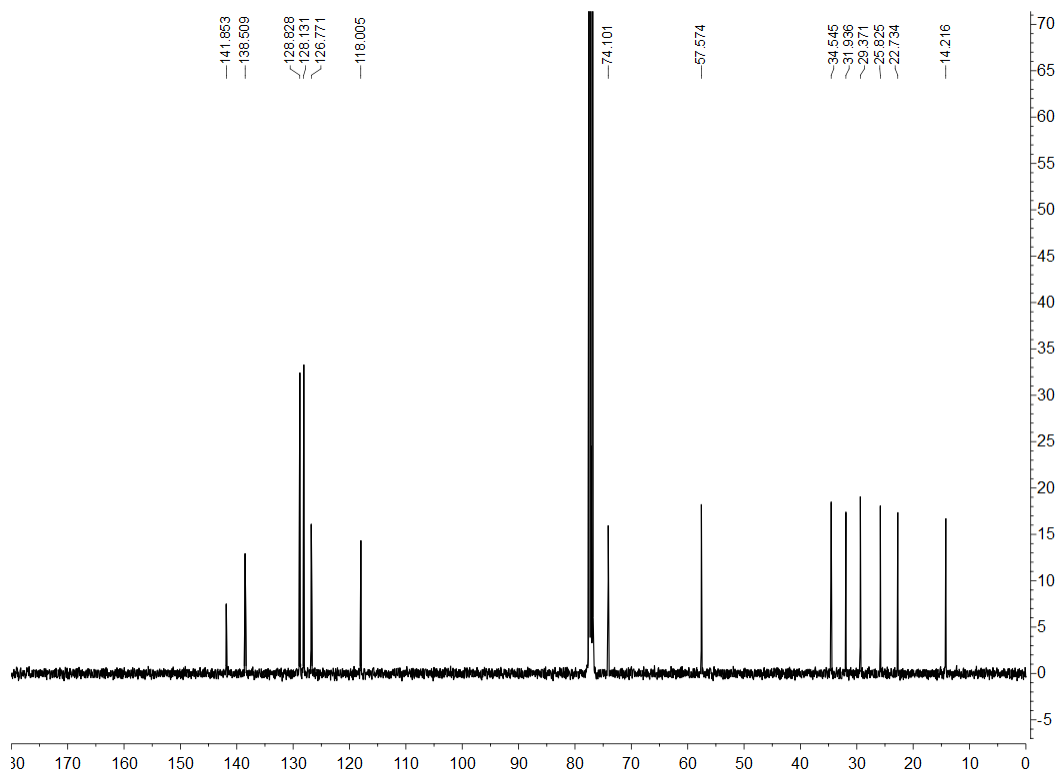
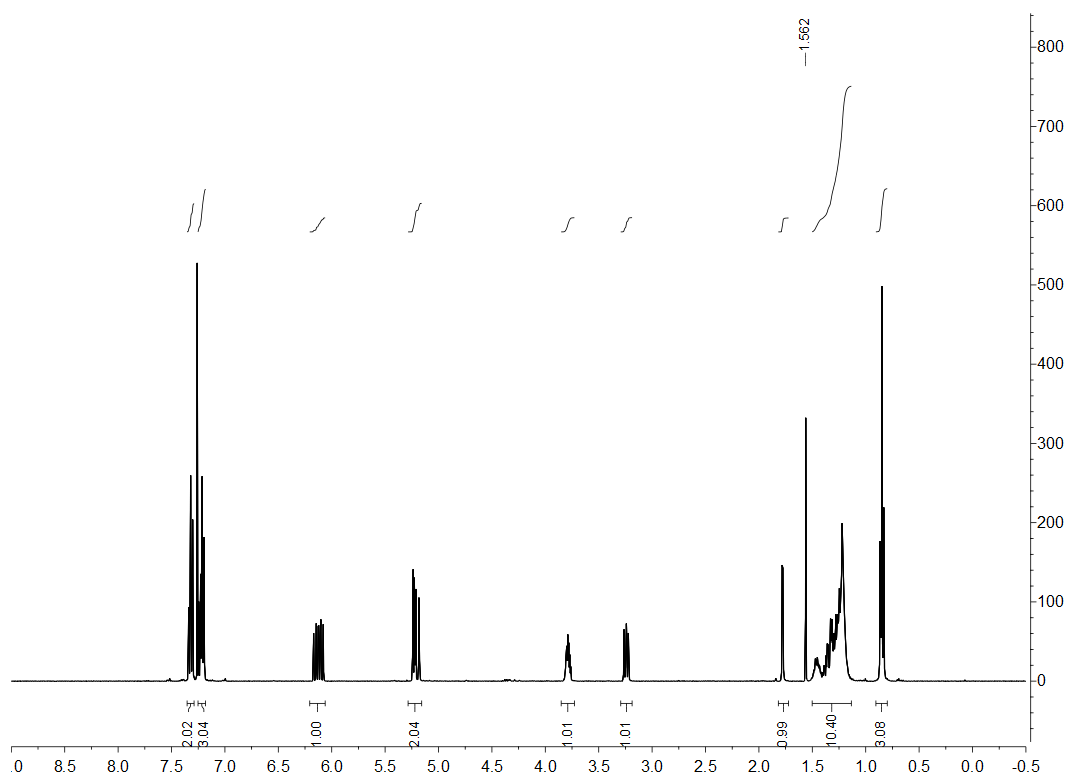
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 141.85, 138.51, 128.83, 128.13, 126.77, 118.00, 74.10, 57.57, 34.54, 31.94, 29.37, 25.82, 22.73, 14.22.

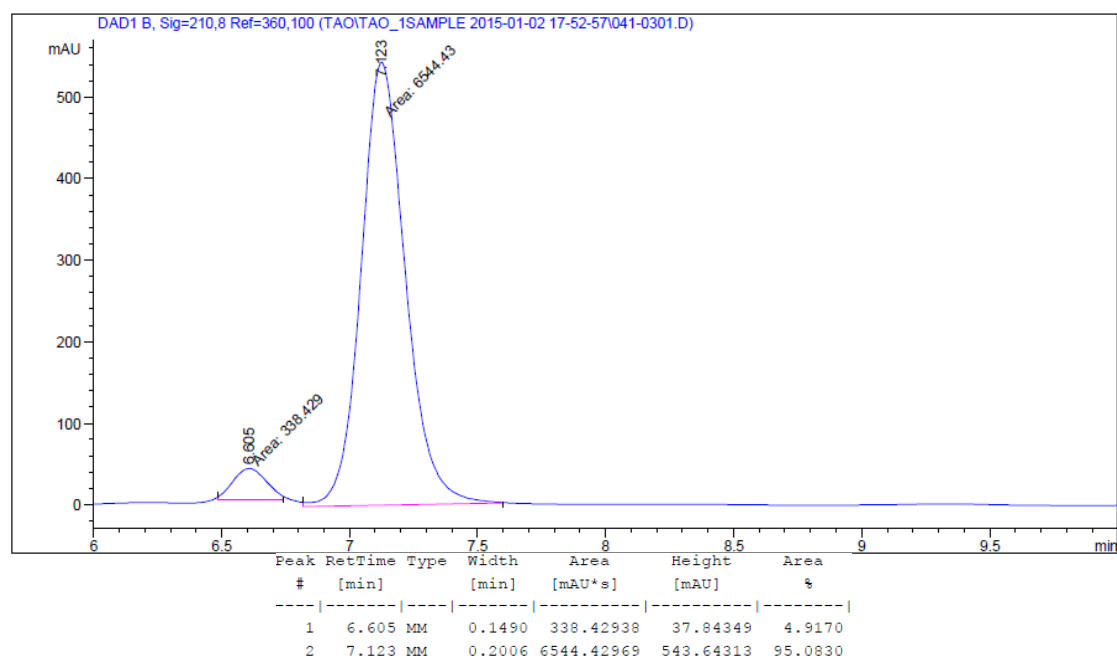
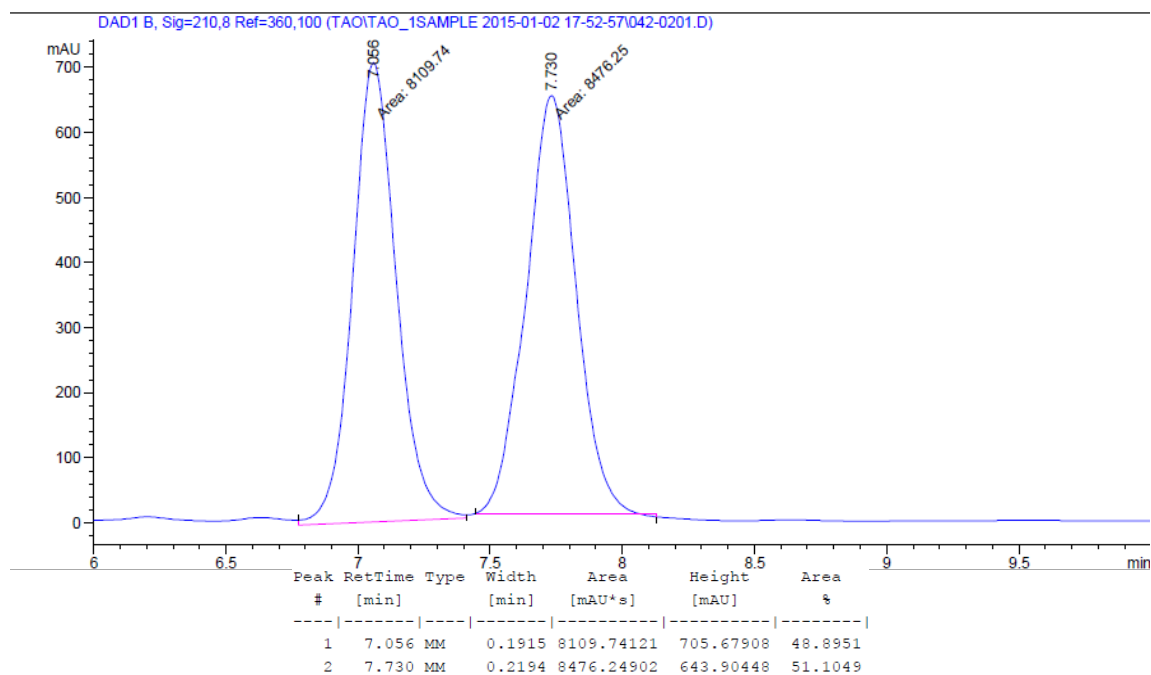
LRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₆H₂₄O [M+H]⁺: 233, Found: 233.

FTIR (neat): 3430, 2926, 2856, 1637, 1493, 1453, 1066, 995, 916, 678 cm⁻¹.

HPLC (Chiralcel AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 90%.

[α]_D²⁵ = - 44.9 (c = 0.5, CHCl₃)





Crystallographic Material for Coupling product 2.3m

X-ray Experimental for C₁₄H₁₉OBr (2.3m)

Crystals grew as clusters of clear, colorless prisms by slow evaporation from hexane and pentane. The data crystal was cut from a larger crystal and had approximate dimensions; 0.31 x 0.30 x 0.14 mm. The data were collected at -140 °C on a Nonius Kappa CCD diffractometer using a Bruker AXS Apex II detector and a graphite monochromator with MoK α radiation ($\lambda = 0.71073\text{\AA}$). Reduced temperatures were maintained by use of an Oxford Cryosystems 600 low-temperature device. A total of 1280 frames of data were collected using ω and ϕ -scans with a scan range of 1° and a counting time of 51 seconds per frame. Details of crystal data, data collection and structure refinement are listed in Table 1. Data reduction were performed using SAINT V8.27B.¹³ The structure was solved by direct methods using SUPERFLIP¹⁴ and refined by full-matrix least-squares on F^2 with anisotropic displacement parameters for the non-H atoms using SHELXL-2013.¹⁵ Structure analysis was aided by use of the programs PLATON98¹⁶ and WinGX.¹⁷ The hydrogen atoms were calculated in idealized positions. The absolute configuration was determined by anomalous dispersion effects.

The function, $\sum w(|F_o|^2 - |F_c|^2)^2$, was minimized, where $w = 1/[(\sigma(F_o))^2 + (0.021 * P)^2 + (2.4901 * P)]$ and $P = (|F_o|^2 + 2|F_c|^2)/3$. $R_w(F^2)$ refined to 0.0614, with $R(F)$ equal to 0.0318 and a goodness of fit, S , = 1.01. Definitions used for calculating $R(F)$, $R_w(F^2)$ and the goodness of fit, S , are given below.¹⁸ The data were checked for secondary extinction but no correction was necessary. Neutral atom scattering factors and values used to calculate the linear absorption coefficient are from the International Tables for X-ray Crystallography (1992).¹⁹ All figures were generated using SHELXTL/PC.²⁰ Tables of positional and thermal parameters, bond lengths and angles, torsion angles and figures are found elsewhere.

Table 2.4 Crystal data and structure refinement for **2.3m**.

Empirical formula	C ₁₄ H ₁₉ Br O	
Formula weight	283.20	
Temperature	133(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	
Crystal system	orthorhombic	
Space group	<i>C</i> 2 2 2 ₁	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 14.3605(7) Å	α = 90°.
	b = 16.2960(7) Å	β = 90°.
	c = 24.0795(10) Å	γ = 90°.
Volume	5635.1(4) Å ³	
Z	16	
Density (calculated)	1.335 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	2.898 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	2336	
Crystal size	0.310 x 0.300 x 0.140 mm	
Theta range for data collection	2.500 to 27.623°.	
Index ranges	-18 ≤ h ≤ 18, -21 ≤ k ≤ 21, -30 ≤ l ≤ 31	
Reflections collected	71234	
Independent reflections	6493 [R(int) = 0.0720]	
Completeness to theta = 25.242°	99.8 %	
Absorption correction	Numerical	
Max. and min. transmission	0.742 and 0.595	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	6493 / 0 / 298	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.011	
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R _I = 0.0318, wR ₂ = 0.0560	
R indices (all data)	R _I = 0.0542, wR ₂ = 0.0614	
Absolute structure parameter	0.006(8)	
Extinction coefficient	n/a	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.307 and -0.335 e.Å ⁻³	

Table 2.5 Atomic coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for **2.3m**. U(eq) is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized U^{ij} tensor.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
Br1	2739(1)	2598(1)	7154(1)	47(1)
O1	6106(2)	4599(1)	5695(1)	31(1)
C1	5455(2)	3750(2)	6424(1)	24(1)
C2	4633(2)	4199(2)	6454(2)	31(1)
C3	3833(3)	3865(2)	6675(1)	34(1)
C4	3849(3)	3068(2)	6865(1)	32(1)
C5	4649(3)	2603(2)	6841(1)	33(1)
C6	5444(3)	2949(2)	6625(1)	28(1)
C7	6323(3)	4096(2)	6169(1)	26(1)
C8	6916(2)	4608(2)	6578(1)	24(1)
C9	6496(2)	5440(2)	6672(1)	27(1)
C10	6054(2)	5670(2)	7121(2)	39(1)
C11	7969(2)	4650(2)	6432(2)	34(1)
C12	8462(3)	5155(3)	6881(2)	63(1)
C13	8395(3)	3794(2)	6441(2)	47(1)
C14	8157(3)	5028(3)	5864(2)	60(1)
Br2	1269(1)	5391(1)	6468(1)	48(1)
O2	5572(2)	6114(1)	5317(1)	31(1)
C15	4153(2)	6349(2)	5855(1)	23(1)
C16	3647(3)	5801(2)	5541(1)	29(1)
C17	2801(3)	5500(2)	5721(1)	31(1)
C18	2449(2)	5771(2)	6226(1)	30(1)
C19	2939(2)	6316(2)	6545(1)	32(1)
C20	3795(2)	6598(2)	6361(1)	29(1)
C21	5087(2)	6684(2)	5666(1)	24(1)
C22	4974(2)	7502(2)	5356(1)	22(1)
C23	4463(2)	7389(2)	4818(1)	25(1)
C24	3748(3)	7823(2)	4657(2)	34(1)
C25	5890(2)	8008(2)	5279(2)	27(1)
C26	6447(3)	8036(2)	5819(2)	41(1)

Table 2.5 Continued

C27	5620(3)	8881(2)	5117(2)	36(1)
C28	6517(2)	7658(2)	4818(1)	32(1)

Table 2.6 Bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for **2.3m**.

Br1-C4	1.900(4)	C13-H13C	0.98
O1-C7	1.438(4)	C14-H14A	0.98
O1-H1	0.84	C14-H14B	0.98
C1-C2	1.389(5)	C14-H14C	0.98
C1-C6	1.392(4)	Br2-C18	1.897(3)
C1-C7	1.500(5)	O2-C21	1.433(4)
C2-C3	1.379(5)	O2-H2A	0.84
C2-H2	0.95	C15-C16	1.377(5)
C3-C4	1.377(5)	C15-C20	1.384(4)
C3-H3	0.95	C15-C21	1.518(5)
C4-C5	1.378(5)	C16-C17	1.380(5)
C5-C6	1.375(5)	C16-H16	0.95
C5-H5	0.95	C17-C18	1.387(5)
C6-H6	0.95	C17-H17	0.95
C7-C8	1.548(5)	C18-C19	1.370(5)
C7-H7	1.00	C19-C20	1.385(5)
C8-C9	1.500(5)	C19-H19	0.95
C8-C11	1.553(5)	C20-H20	0.95
C8-H8	1.00	C21-C22	1.537(4)
C9-C10	1.307(5)	C21-H21	1.00
C9-H9	0.95	C22-C23	1.498(4)
C10-H10A	0.95	C22-C25	1.564(5)
C10-H10B	0.95	C22-H22	1.00
C11-C13	1.524(5)	C23-C24	1.306(5)
C11-C14	1.525(5)	C23-H23	0.95
C11-C12	1.532(5)	C24-H24A	0.95
C12-H12A	0.98	C24-H24B	0.95
C12-H12B	0.98	C25-C27	1.525(5)
C12-H12C	0.98	C25-C26	1.529(5)
C13-H13A	0.98	C25-C28	1.538(5)
C13-H13B	0.98	C26-H26A	0.98

Table 2.6 Continued

C26-H26B	0.98	C9-C8-C11	112.7(3)
C26-H26C	0.98	C7-C8-C11	114.5(3)
C27-H27A	0.98	C9-C8-H8	105.9
C27-H27B	0.98	C7-C8-H8	105.9
C27-H27C	0.98	C11-C8-H8	105.9
C28-H28A	0.98	C10-C9-C8	125.3(3)
C28-H28B	0.98	C10-C9-H9	117.3
C28-H28C	0.98	C8-C9-H9	117.3
C7-O1-H1	109.5	C9-C10-H10A	120.0
C2-C1-C6	117.8(3)	C9-C10-H10B	120.0
C2-C1-C7	121.9(3)	H10A-C10-H10B	120.0
C6-C1-C7	120.2(3)	C13-C11-C14	108.1(3)
C3-C2-C1	121.3(3)	C13-C11-C12	107.2(3)
C3-C2-H2	119.3	C14-C11-C12	109.6(4)
C1-C2-H2	119.3	C13-C11-C8	110.3(3)
C4-C3-C2	119.1(4)	C14-C11-C8	113.1(3)
C4-C3-H3	120.4	C12-C11-C8	108.3(3)
C2-C3-H3	120.4	C11-C12-H12A	109.5
C3-C4-C5	121.2(3)	C11-C12-H12B	109.5
C3-C4-Br1	119.2(3)	H12A-C12-H12B	109.5
C5-C4-Br1	119.6(3)	C11-C12-H12C	109.5
C6-C5-C4	118.9(3)	H12A-C12-H12C	109.5
C6-C5-H5	120.5	H12B-C12-H12C	109.5
C4-C5-H5	120.5	C11-C13-H13A	109.5
C5-C6-C1	121.6(3)	C11-C13-H13B	109.5
C5-C6-H6	119.2	H13A-C13-H13B	109.5
C1-C6-H6	119.2	C11-C13-H13C	109.5
O1-C7-C1	111.1(3)	H13A-C13-H13C	109.5
O1-C7-C8	108.5(2)	H13B-C13-H13C	109.5
C1-C7-C8	113.5(3)	C11-C14-H14A	109.5
O1-C7-H7	107.9	C11-C14-H14B	109.5
C1-C7-H7	107.9	H14A-C14-H14B	109.5
C8-C7-H7	107.9	C11-C14-H14C	109.5
C9-C8-C7	111.2(3)	H14A-C14-H14C	109.5

Table 2.6 Continued

H14B-C14-H14C	109.5	C25-C22-H22	105.8
C21-O2-H2A	109.5	C24-C23-C22	125.1(3)
C16-C15-C20	118.6(3)	C24-C23-H23	117.5
C16-C15-C21	122.4(3)	C22-C23-H23	117.5
C20-C15-C21	119.1(3)	C23-C24-H24A	120.0
C15-C16-C17	121.4(3)	C23-C24-H24B	120.0
C15-C16-H16	119.3	H24A-C24-H24B	120.0
C17-C16-H16	119.3	C27-C25-C26	108.8(3)
C16-C17-C18	118.9(3)	C27-C25-C28	108.2(3)
C16-C17-H17	120.5	C26-C25-C28	108.6(3)
C18-C17-H17	120.5	C27-C25-C22	107.9(3)
C19-C18-C17	120.7(3)	C26-C25-C22	110.8(3)
C19-C18-Br2	119.9(3)	C28-C25-C22	112.5(3)
C17-C18-Br2	119.4(3)	C25-C26-H26A	109.5
C18-C19-C20	119.4(3)	C25-C26-H26B	109.5
C18-C19-H19	120.3	H26A-C26-H26B	109.5
C20-C19-H19	120.3	C25-C26-H26C	109.5
C15-C20-C19	121.0(3)	H26A-C26-H26C	109.5
C15-C20-H20	119.5	H26B-C26-H26C	109.5
C19-C20-H20	119.5	C25-C27-H27A	109.5
O2-C21-C15	111.8(3)	C25-C27-H27B	109.5
O2-C21-C22	109.2(2)	H27A-C27-H27B	109.5
C15-C21-C22	111.4(3)	C25-C27-H27C	109.5
O2-C21-H21	108.1	H27A-C27-H27C	109.5
C15-C21-H21	108.1	H27B-C27-H27C	109.5
C22-C21-H21	108.1	C25-C28-H28A	109.5
C23-C22-C21	111.4(3)	C25-C28-H28B	109.5
C23-C22-C25	112.0(3)	H28A-C28-H28B	109.5
C21-C22-C25	115.2(3)	C25-C28-H28C	109.5
C23-C22-H22	105.8	H28A-C28-H28C	109.5
C21-C22-H22	105.8	H28B-C28-H28C	109.5

Table 2.7 Anisotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for **2.3m**. The anisotropic displacement factor exponent takes the form: $-2p^2 [h^2 a^{*2} U^{11} + \dots + 2 h k a^* b^* U^{12}]$

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{23}	U^{13}	U^{12}
Br1	50(1)	50(1)	40(1)	11(1)	1(1)	-18(1)
O1	57(2)	17(1)	18(1)	2(1)	-2(1)	-3(1)
C1	39(2)	16(2)	18(2)	-2(1)	-4(2)	-2(1)
C2	42(2)	19(2)	31(2)	5(2)	-3(2)	-4(2)
C3	42(2)	26(2)	35(2)	2(2)	-5(2)	-1(2)
C4	42(2)	30(2)	24(2)	4(2)	-4(2)	-10(2)
C5	57(2)	22(2)	22(2)	10(2)	-5(2)	-7(2)
C6	43(2)	21(2)	22(2)	4(1)	-3(2)	1(2)
C7	44(2)	15(2)	19(2)	2(1)	4(2)	2(2)
C8	31(2)	19(2)	22(2)	0(1)	3(1)	2(1)
C9	29(2)	21(2)	32(2)	-5(2)	-4(1)	-1(2)
C10	38(2)	34(2)	44(2)	-12(2)	0(2)	5(2)
C11	33(2)	30(2)	40(2)	3(2)	9(2)	4(2)
C12	25(2)	74(4)	91(4)	-34(3)	-1(2)	3(2)
C13	38(2)	41(2)	62(3)	3(2)	14(2)	12(2)
C14	49(3)	63(3)	69(3)	26(3)	24(2)	-4(2)
Br2	47(1)	54(1)	44(1)	2(1)	8(1)	-16(1)
O2	47(2)	19(1)	27(1)	3(1)	10(1)	13(1)
C15	32(2)	14(2)	21(2)	1(1)	-2(1)	6(1)
C16	44(2)	21(2)	22(2)	-4(1)	3(2)	3(2)
C17	46(2)	21(2)	27(2)	-4(2)	-3(2)	-8(2)
C18	37(2)	23(2)	29(2)	6(2)	2(2)	1(2)
C19	43(2)	31(2)	21(2)	-5(2)	7(2)	1(2)
C20	38(2)	23(2)	24(2)	-5(1)	-1(2)	-1(2)
C21	33(2)	21(2)	18(2)	-3(1)	0(1)	8(2)
C22	26(2)	18(2)	23(2)	-3(1)	2(1)	5(1)
C23	27(2)	21(2)	26(2)	2(2)	3(1)	-1(2)
C24	32(2)	33(2)	36(2)	4(2)	-2(2)	2(2)
C25	28(2)	21(2)	32(2)	-4(2)	1(2)	1(2)
C26	38(2)	40(2)	44(2)	-13(2)	-6(2)	-3(2)
C27	35(2)	20(2)	55(3)	-2(2)	6(2)	-4(2)
C28	28(2)	28(2)	39(2)	-4(2)	1(2)	2(2)

Table 2.8 Hydrogen coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for **2.3m**.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
H1	5956	4297	5427	46
H2	4623	4746	6319	37
H3	3278	4180	6695	41
H5	4651	2053	6970	40
H6	6000	2633	6612	34
H7	6712	3626	6038	31
H8	6878	4317	6943	29
H9	6557	5832	6382	33
H10A	5978	5296	7420	46
H10B	5809	6210	7147	46
H12A	9132	5168	6805	95
H12B	8353	4904	7245	95
H12C	8216	5716	6880	95
H13A	9075	3838	6418	70
H13B	8162	3478	6124	70
H13C	8223	3517	6787	70
H14A	7913	5589	5855	91
H14B	7849	4699	5576	91
H14C	8829	5038	5795	91
H2A	5705	5692	5501	46
H16	3885	5627	5192	35
H17	2465	5114	5504	38
H19	2694	6500	6890	38
H20	4141	6968	6585	34
H21	5477	6785	6003	29
H22	4559	7848	5594	27
H23	4676	6969	4576	30
H24A	3514	8249	4887	40
H24B	3462	7713	4309	40
H26A	6994	8387	5770	61
H26B	6648	7480	5918	61
H26C	6056	8257	6117	61
H27A	5235	9122	5411	55
H27B	5267	8871	4769	55
H27C	6184	9212	5068	55

Table 2.8 Continued

H28A	7104	7964	4808	47
H28B	6201	7708	4459	47
H28C	6646	7078	4894	47

Table 2.9 Torsion angles [°] for **2.3m**.

C6-C1-C2-C3	0.1(5)	C20-C15-C16-C17	-0.2(5)
C7-C1-C2-C3	178.0(3)	C21-C15-C16-C17	179.6(3)
C1-C2-C3-C4	-0.6(5)	C15-C16-C17-C18	1.3(5)
C2-C3-C4-C5	0.3(5)	C16-C17-C18-C19	-1.2(5)
C2-C3-C4-Br1	-178.5(3)	C16-C17-C18-Br2	177.9(3)
C3-C4-C5-C6	0.5(5)	C17-C18-C19-C20	0.0(5)
Br1-C4-C5-C6	179.3(3)	Br2-C18-C19-C20	-179.2(3)
C4-C5-C6-C1	-1.0(5)	C16-C15-C20-C19	-1.1(5)
C2-C1-C6-C5	0.7(5)	C21-C15-C20-C19	179.1(3)
C7-C1-C6-C5	-177.3(3)	C18-C19-C20-C15	1.2(5)
C2-C1-C7-O1	-37.0(4)	C16-C15-C21-O2	-29.2(4)
C6-C1-C7-O1	140.9(3)	C20-C15-C21-O2	150.6(3)
C2-C1-C7-C8	85.6(4)	C16-C15-C21-C22	93.2(4)
C6-C1-C7-C8	-96.5(4)	C20-C15-C21-C22	-87.0(3)
O1-C7-C8-C9	47.6(3)	O2-C21-C22-C23	57.8(4)
C1-C7-C8-C9	-76.4(3)	C15-C21-C22-C23	-66.1(3)
O1-C7-C8-C11	-81.6(3)	O2-C21-C22-C25	-71.1(3)
C1-C7-C8-C11	154.4(3)	C15-C21-C22-C25	164.9(3)
C7-C8-C9-C10	105.5(4)	C21-C22-C23-C24	129.8(4)
C11-C8-C9-C10	-124.3(4)	C25-C22-C23-C24	-99.5(4)
C9-C8-C11-C13	170.1(3)	C23-C22-C25-C27	67.0(4)
C7-C8-C11-C13	-61.4(4)	C21-C22-C25-C27	-164.3(3)
C9-C8-C11-C14	-68.6(4)	C23-C22-C25-C26	-174.0(3)
C7-C8-C11-C14	59.9(4)	C21-C22-C25-C26	-45.3(4)
C9-C8-C11-C12	53.0(4)	C23-C22-C25-C28	-52.2(4)
C7-C8-C11-C12	-178.5(3)	C21-C22-C25-C28	76.4(3)

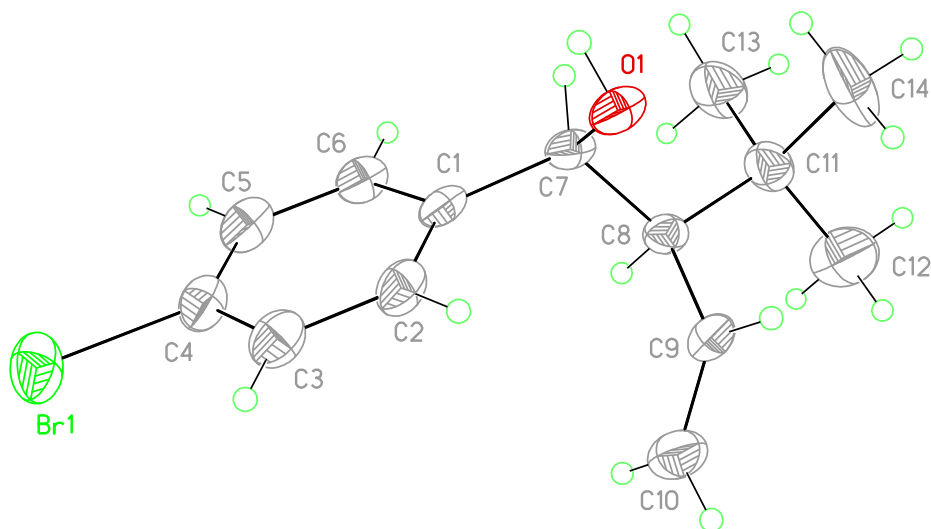
Table 2.10 Hydrogen bonds for **2.3m** [\AA and $^\circ$].

D-H...A	d(D-H)	d(H...A)	d(D...A)	$\angle(\text{DHA})$
O1-H1...O2#1	0.84	1.99	2.807(3)	163.9
O2-H2A...O1	0.84	1.93	2.742(3)	162.2

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

#1 $x, -y+1, -z+1$

Figure 2.1 View of **2.3m** showing the atom labeling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are scaled to the 50% probability level.



Chapter 3: Siloxy-Crotylation of Primary Alcohols by Coupling with Propargyl Ethers via Novel Hydride Shift Enabled Formation of Allylruthenium from Alkynes*

3.1 INTRODUCTION

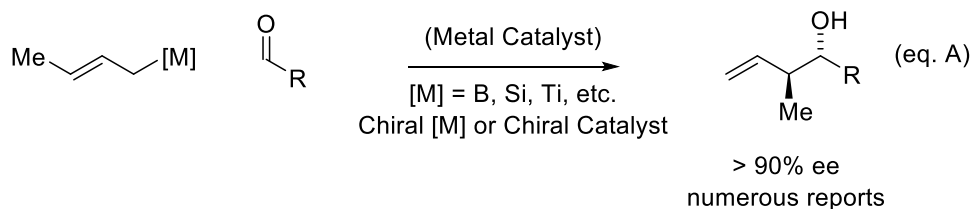
Polyketides are important sources for discovery of medicine due to their bioactivities.¹ In the present, all polyketide drugs, except one, are prepared through fermentation or modification of fermentation products.² Only very small portion (less than 5%) of the bacteria are able to culture, which limit the further study on the polyketides.³ Chemical synthesis for the polyketides synthesis is still in demand for more efficient and economic routes. Carbonyl crotylation has been used broadly in the construction of polyketides.⁴ While most of the enantioselective carbonyl crotylation protocols require chiral auxiliaries or preformed crotylmatal nucleophiles (Figure 3.1, eq A).⁵ Krische group has introduced the redox-triggered carbonyl addition, by which primary alcohols can be directly converted to secondary alcohols by coupling with π -unsaturated compounds in diastereoselective and enantioselective manner⁶ (Figure 3.1, eq B).

Recently, our group published ruthenium catalyzed coupling of alcohols and 2-alkynes to furnish the formation of both linear⁷ and branched homoallylic alcohols⁸ (Scheme 3.1). Both protocols went through the alkyne-to-allene isomerization facilitated by ruthenium catalysis. Inspired by these results, in this chapter, the first enantioselective and diastereoselective alkynes mediated carbonyl crotylation (Figure 3.1, eq C) was described and a novel mechanism for the formation of π -allylmatal species from alkyne without intervening allene intermediate was proposed (Figure 3.1, eq D).

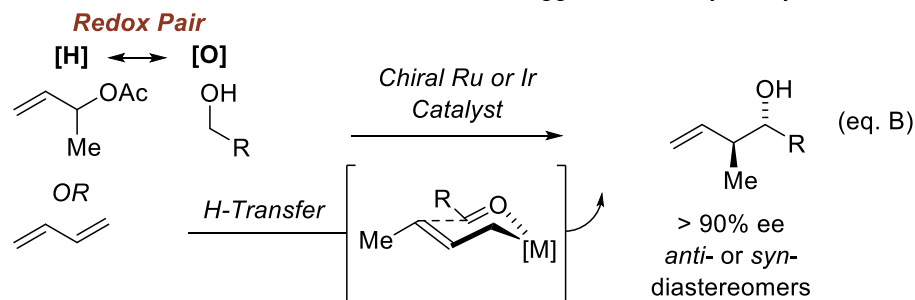
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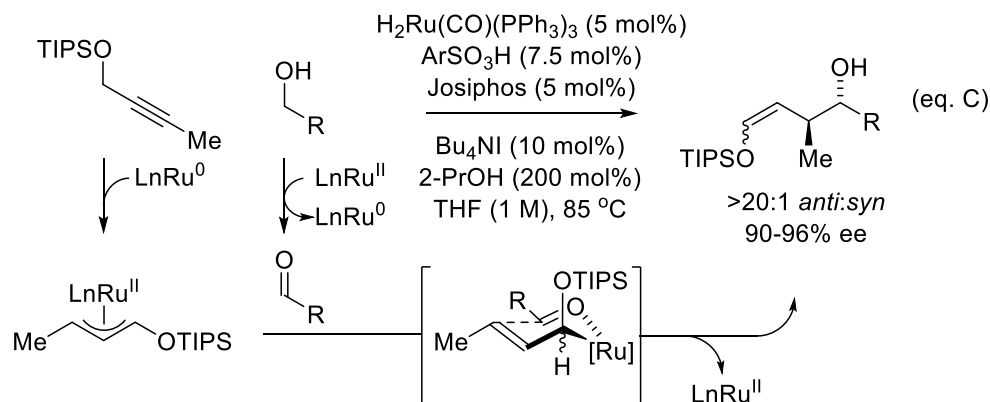
Chiral Allylmetal Reagents: Hoffmann 1978 onward



Prior Work: Diastereo- and Enantioselective Redox-Triggered Carbonyl Crotylation



This Work: Diastereo- Enantioselective Alkyne-Mediated Carbonyl Crotylation



Novel Mechanism: Direct Conversion of Alkyne to π -Allyl without Intervening Allenes

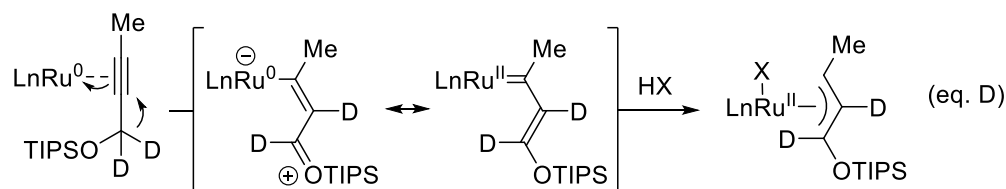
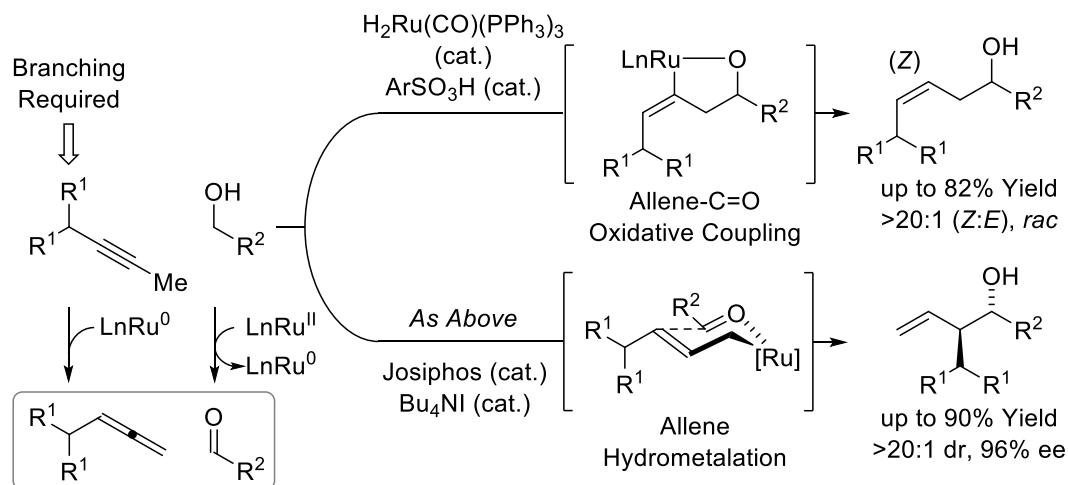


Figure 3.1 Enantioselective Carbonyl Crotylation Strategies.

Scheme 3.1 Redox-Triggered Formation of Linear and Branched Homoallylic Alcohols via Alkyne-to-Allene Isomerization.



3.2 REACTION DEVELOPMENT AND SCOPE

Treatment of propargyl ether **3.1a** and p-bromobenzyl alcohol **3.2c** under the condition used in asymmetric formation of branched homoallylic alcohols,⁸ carbonyl siloxy-crotylation product **3.3c** was obtained with 70% yield and complete region- and diastereoselectivity as a 3:1 (Z:E) mixture of olefin geometrical isomers. Notably, both Z- and E-olefin isomers showed good enantiomeric enrichment, 87% ee and 94% ee, respectively. Further optimization was conducted, and it's found that slightly higher loading of the sulfonic acid additive (7.5 mol%) at lower temperature (85 °C) was optimal (Scheme 3.2). Due to the not complete olefin geometry selectivity, treatment of the C-C coupling adduct **3.3c** with TBAF to cleave the TIPS silyl protecting group followed by reduction with NaBH₄ provided diol **3.5c**. The absolute stereochemistry was determined in analogy to **3.5c** by X-ray diffraction analysis.

With the optimized condition in hand, a variety range of alcohols **3.2a-3.2o** were

Scheme 3.2 Redox-Triggered Siloxyl Crotylation by Coupling of Propargyl Ether **3.1a** and p-Bromobenzyl Alcohol **3.2c**.

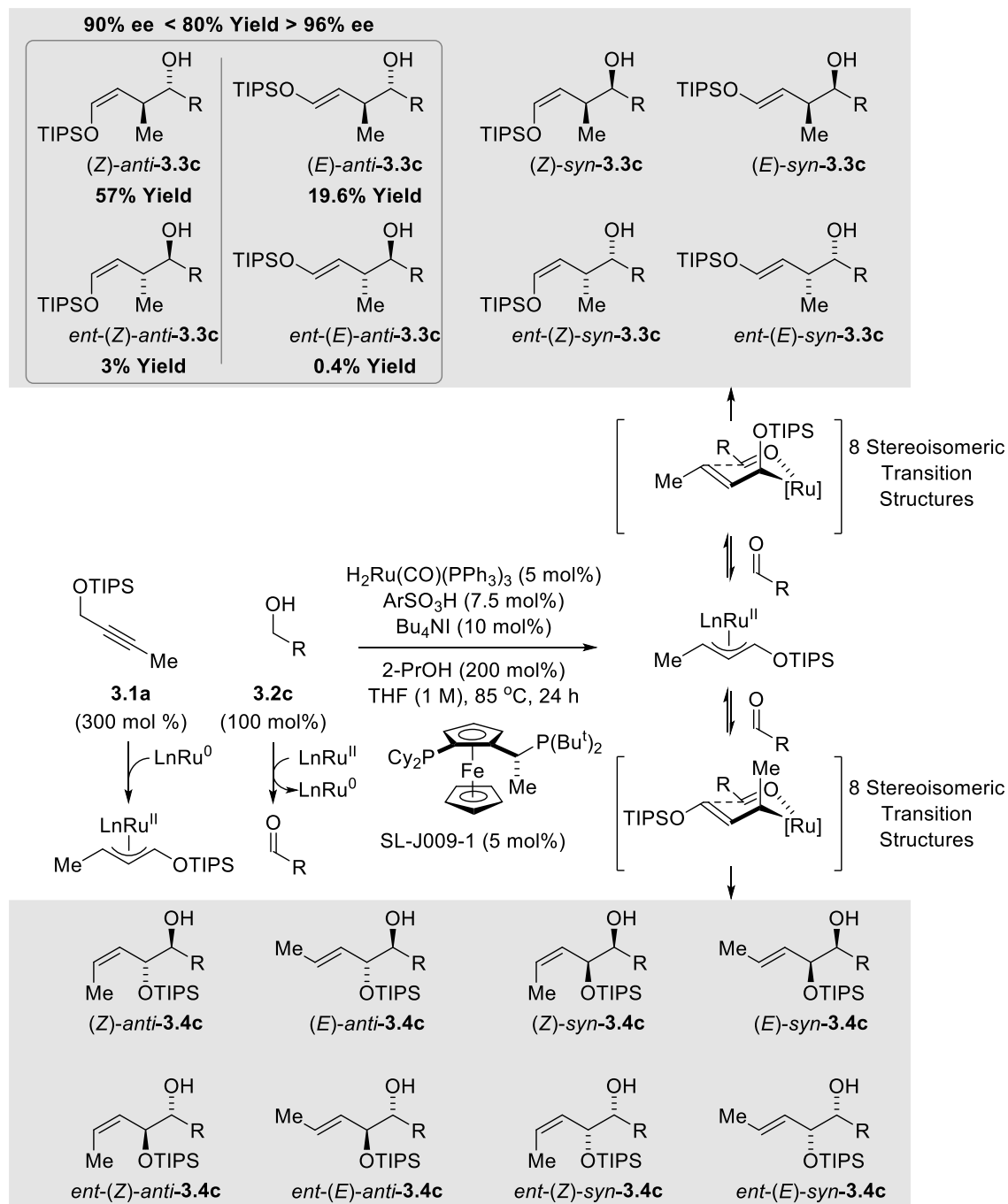
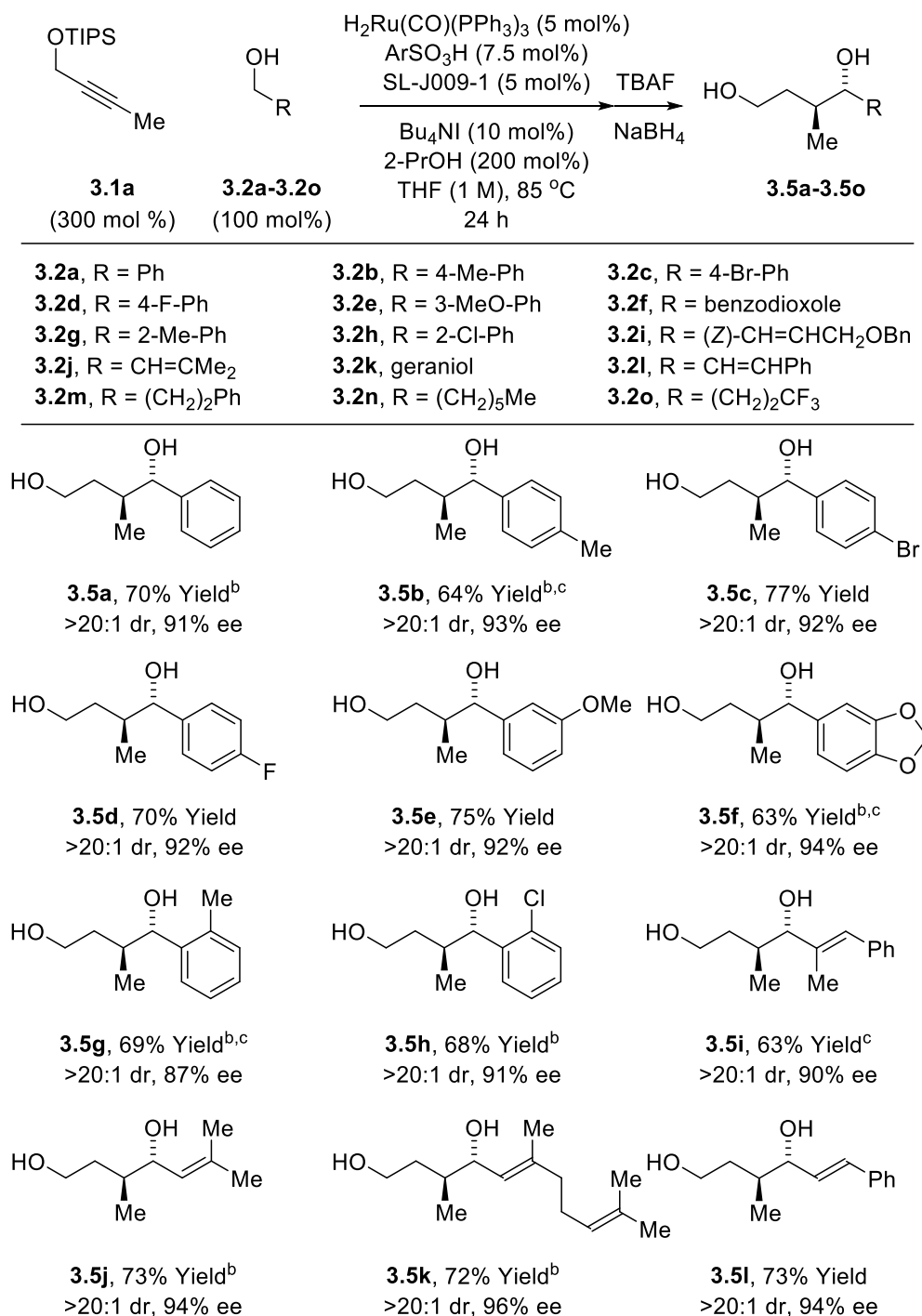
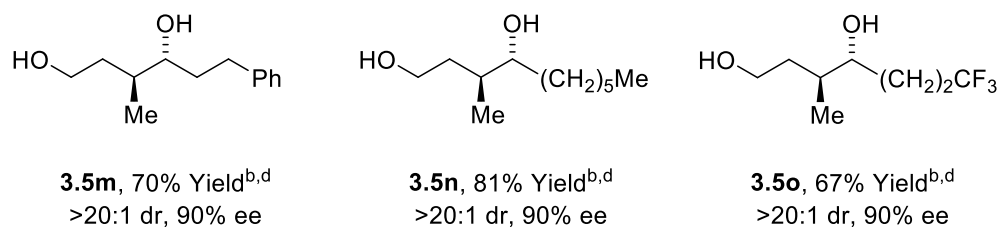


Table 3.1 Diastereoselective and Enantioselective Formation of 1,4-Diols **3.1a-3.5o**.

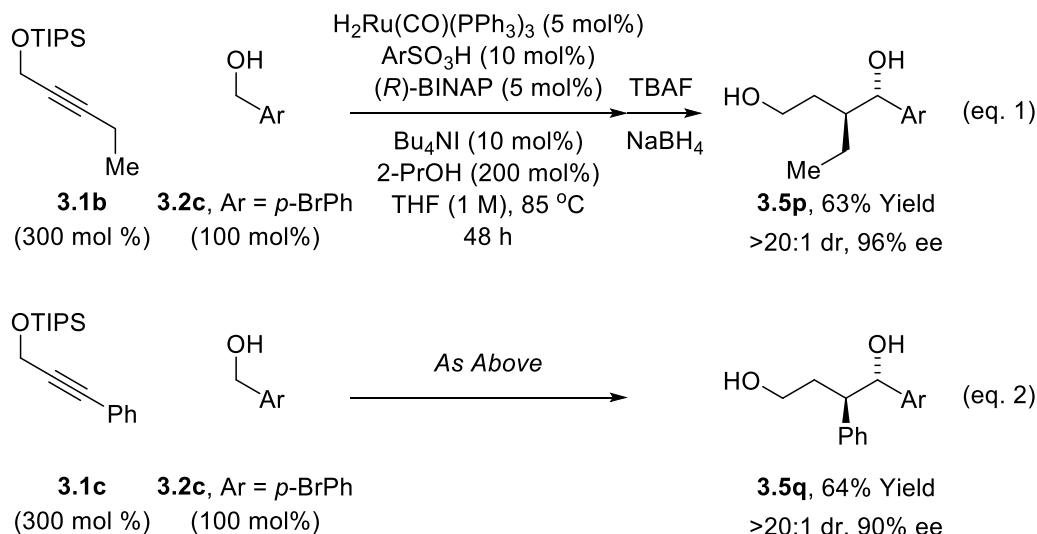




^aYields are material isolated by silica gel chromatography. Diastereoselectivities were determined by ¹H NMR analysis of crude reaction mixtures. See supporting Information for further experimental details. ^b48 h. ^cH₂Ru(CO)(PPh₃)₃ (6 mol%), SL-J009-1 (6 mol%), ArSO₃H (9 mol%), and Bu₄NI (12 mol%). ^d2-PrOH was omitted.

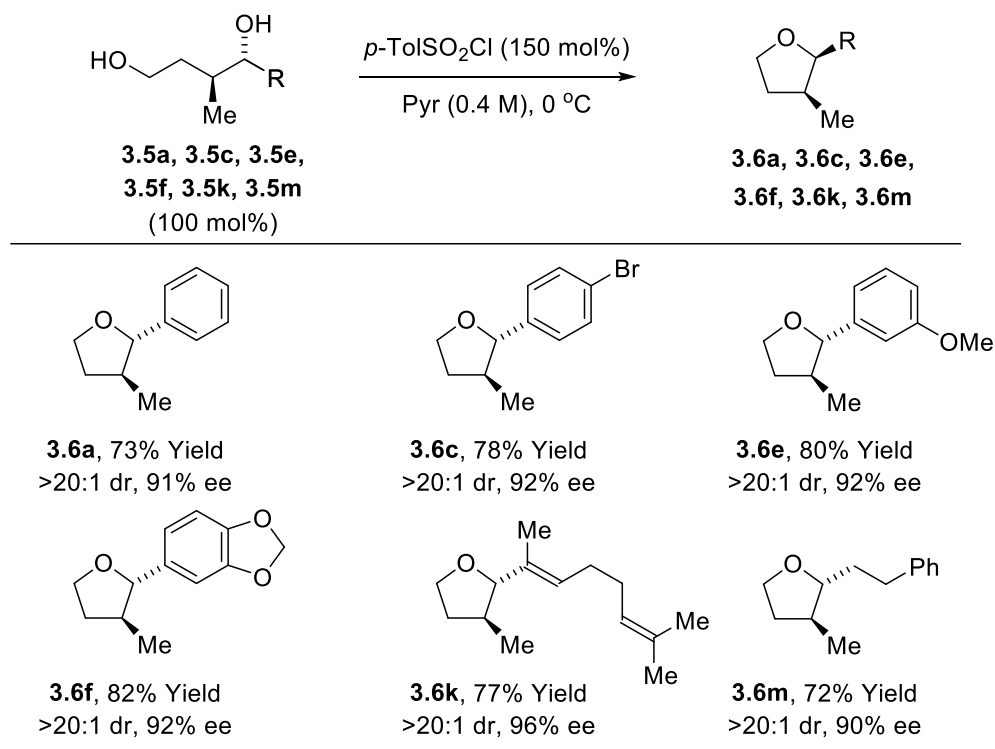
tested coupling with propargyl ether **3.1a**, and converted to diols **3.5a-3.5o** with complete regio and *anti*-diastereoselectivity and uniformly good enantioselectivity. And not only methyl substituted propargyl ether **3.1a**, ethyl- and phenyl-substituted propargyl ether, **3.1b** and **3.1c**, also gave the desired diol adducts **3.5p** and **3.5q** with BINAP modified ruthenium catalyst in good enantioselective manner (Scheme 3.3, eq 1 and eq 2).

Scheme 3.3 Coupling of Propargyl Ether **3.1b** and **3.1c** with **3.2c** to Form Diols



To demonstrate the utility of this transformation, diols **3.5a**, **3.5c**, **3.5e**, **3.5f**, **3.5k**, and **3.5m**, were treated with *p*-toluenesulfonyl chloride in pyridine resulting in mono-tosylation of the primary alcohol, which spontaneously cyclized to form the *trans*-2,3-disubstituted furans **3.6a**, **3.6c**, **3.6e**, **3.6f**, **3.6k**, and **3.6m** (Table 3.2). In type I polyketide natural products, 2,3-disubstituted furans with 3-methyl substituents were frequently found as substructures.⁹

Table 3.2 Formation of *trans*-2,3-Disubstituted Furans **3.6a**, **3.6c**, **3.6e**, **3.6f**, **3.6k**, **3.6m** from Diol Adducts.

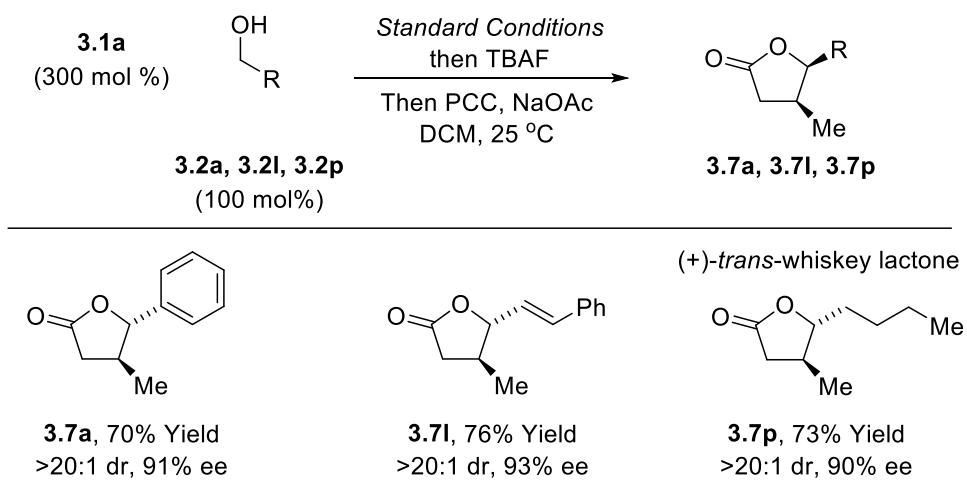


^aYields are material isolated by silica gel chromatography. See supporting Information for further experimental details.

Also, coupling of alcohols **3.2a**, **3.2l**, and **3.2p** with propargyl ether **3.1a** under the standard condition followed by removal of TIPS protecting group resulted in the crude hemiacetals, which were treated with PCC gave the *trans*-4,5-disubstituted γ -butyrolactones **3.7a**, **3.7l**, and **3.7p**. The formation of **3.7p** represents a total synthesis of (+)-*trans*-whiskey lactone from simple starting material pentanol.¹⁰

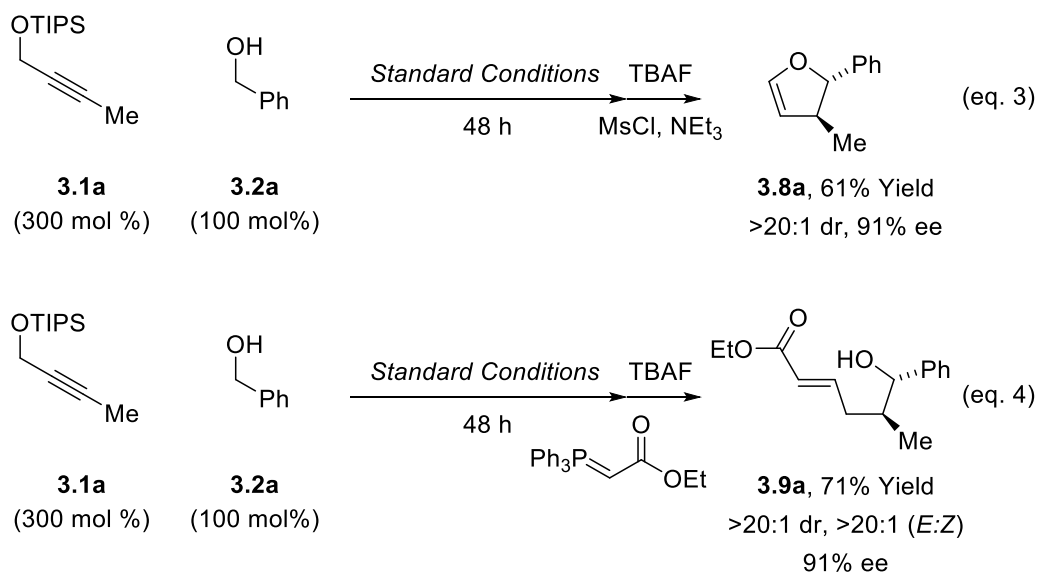
The crude hemiacetal, obtained under standard condition followed by the TBAF treatment, can be converted to *trans*-4,5-disubstituted-2,3-dehydrofuran **3.8a** by treated with mesyl chloride in trimethylamine (Scheme 3.4, eq 3). Finally, the crude hemiacetal can be converted to enoate **3.9a** with complete *E*-olefin selectivity by treated with Wittig reagent (Scheme 3.4, eq 4).

Table 3.3 Formation of *trans*-4,5-Disubstituted γ -Butyrolactones **3.7a**, **3.7l**, and **3.7p** from C-C Coupling Adducts.



^aYields are material isolated by silica gel chromatography. See supporting Information for further experimental details.

Scheme 3.4 Elaboration of Coupling Adducts.

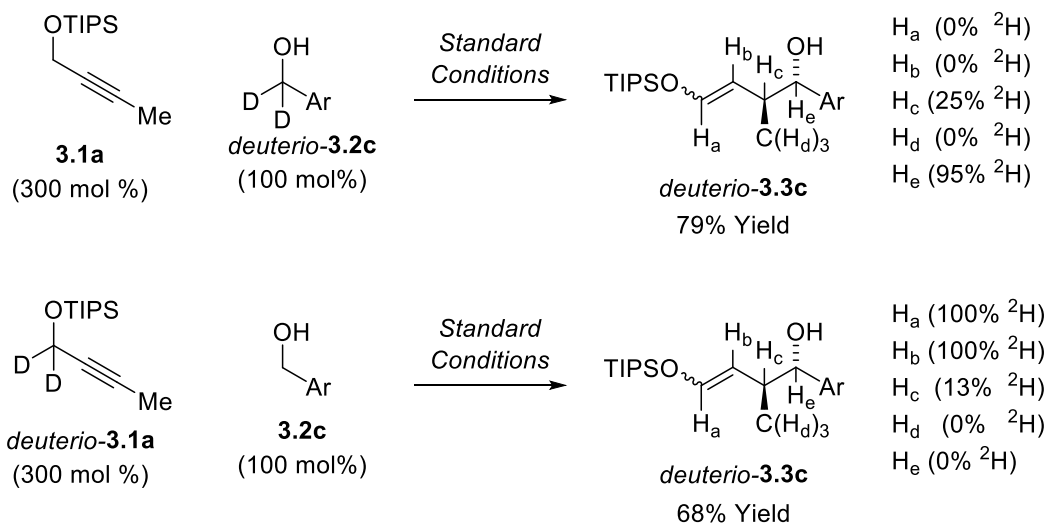


3.3 MECHANISM AND DISCUSSION

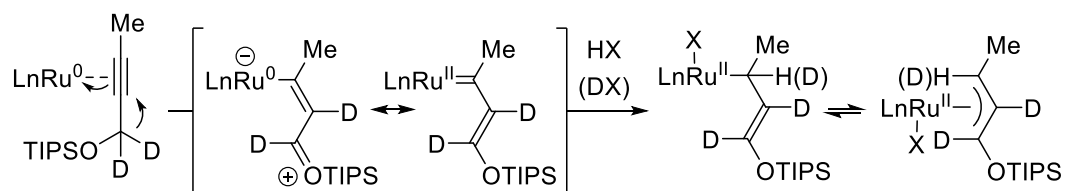
By comparing with the formation of branched homoallylic alcohol⁸, coupling of propargyl ether **3.1a** with primary alcohols didn't go through the mono-substituted allene **3.1d** intermediate. Initially, the mechanism of this transformation was assumed to proceed through alkyne **3.1a** to disubstituted allene **3.1e** or diene **3.1f** isomerization under ruthenium catalysis. However, the deuterium labeling experiment results didn't support for allene **3.1e** and **3.1f** intermediates. When *deuterio-3.2c* was used in the coupling with **3.1a** under standard conditions, H_b and H_d should get deuterium incorporation if allene or diene intermediates were involved. And when *deuterio-3.1a* and **3.2c** were subjected to the standard conditions, deuterium was transferred to H_a and H_b. These data clearly indicated 1,2-hydride shift mechanism (Scheme 3.5).^{11,12,13}

A general catalytic mechanism for this asymmetric carbonyl siloxy-crotylation was proposed (Scheme 3.6). The ruthenium (II) complex LnRu(II)X₂ was converted to ruthenium alkoxide via ligand exchange with the primary alcohol, which was followed by β-hydride elimination to generate aldehyde and LnRu(II)HX. Reductive elimination of HX gave Ru(0) complex. The strong π-backbonding between Ru(0) and bound alkyne **3.1a**

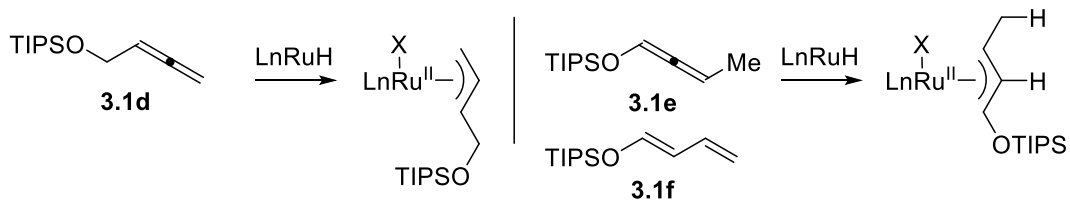
Scheme 3.5 Deuterium Labelling Experiments and Proposed Hydride Shift Mechanism.



Proposed Hydride Shift Mechanism

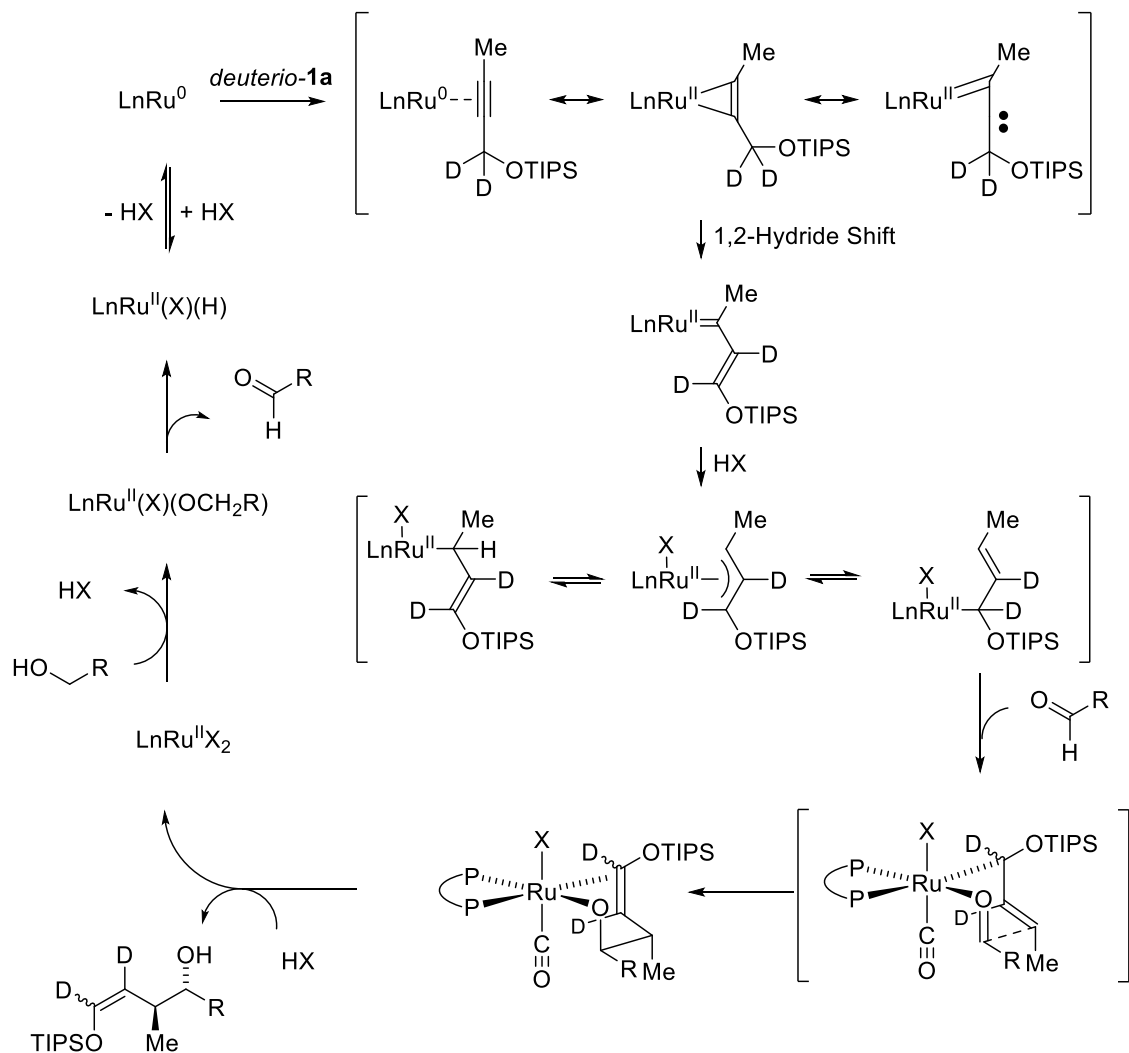


Allenes 3.1b, 3.1c and Diene 3.1d Inconsistent with Product Structure or ^2H -Labelling Results



induced 1,2-hydride shift, which delivered the vinyl ruthenium(II) carbene species. Also the $n \rightarrow \sigma^*$ interaction between the oxygen lone pair and the propargylic C-H bond played an important role in the 1,2-hydride shift. The vinyl ruthenium(II) carbene species was converted to nucleophilic siloxy-substituted allylruthenium(II) complex by protonation. The σ -allylruthenium haptomer, where ruthenium resided on the carbon adjacent to oxygen, was added to aldehyde through a Zimmerman-Traxler transition structure to form

Scheme 3.6 Proposed Ruthenium Catalyzed Carbonyl Siloxy-Crotylation Catalytic Cycle.



homoallylic ruthenium(II) alkoxide. Protonolysis cleavage released the carbonyl addition product and closed the catalytic cycle.

3.4 CONCLUSION

In summary, a ruthenium catalyzed redox-triggered carbonyl siloxy-crotylation mediated by alkyne through novel 1,2-hydride shift mechanism was reported. Complete regio- and diastereoselectivity, as well as high enantioselectivity, were achieved. From the coupling adducts, enantiomeric enriched diols, furans, and lactones were able to be accessed.

3.5 EXPERIMENTAL DETAILS

General Information

All reactions were run under an atmosphere of argon, unless otherwise indicated. Resealable pressure tubes (13x100 mm) were purchased from Fischer Scientific (catalog number 14-959-35C) and were flame dried followed by cooling in a desiccator or under a stream of argon prior to use. Tetrahydrofuran (THF) was dried over sodium metal, benzophenone, and distilled immediately prior to use. $\text{RuH}_2(\text{PPh}_3)_3$ were prepared according to literature procedure.¹ All ligands were used as received from Strem Chemicals Inc. Alcohols were purified by distillation or recrystallization immediately prior to use. Preparative column chromatography employing Silicycle silica gel (40-63 μm) was performed according to the method of Still.² Analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was carried out using 0.25 mm commercial silica gel plates (Dynamic Absorbents F254). Visualization was accomplished with UV light followed by dipping in Seebach's stain solution then heating. Purification of reactions was carried out by flash chromatography using Silicycle silica gel (40-63 μm).

Spectroscopy, Spectrometry, and Data Collection

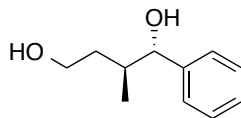
Infrared spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 1600 spectrometer. Low-resolution mass spectra (LRMS) were obtained on a Karatos MS9 and are reported as m/z (relative intensity). Accurate masses are reported for the molecular ion ($M+H$, $M+Na$), or a suitable fragment ion. Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (1H NMR) spectra were recorded with a Varian Gemini (400 MHz) spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported in delta (δ) units, parts per million (ppm) downfield from tetramethylsilane or ppm relative to the center of the singlet at 7.26 ppm for deuteriochloroform. Data reported as multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet). Integration and coupling constants were reported in Hertz (Hz). Carbon-13 nuclear magnetic resonance (^{13}C NMR) spectra were recorded with a Varian Gemini (100 MHz) spectrometer and were routinely run with broadband decoupling. Chemical shifts are reported in delta (δ) units, ppm relative to the center of the triplet at 77.16 ppm for deuteriochloroform.

Experimental Details and Spectral Data

General Procedure for the Couplings of Alcohols 2.2a-2.2l and Alkynes

To a resealable pressure tube (ca. 13 x 100) was added $\text{H}_2\text{Ru}(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)_3$ (9.2 mg, 0.010 mmol, 5 mol%), SL-J009-1 ligand (5.6 mg, 0.010 mmol, 5 mol%), Bu_4NI (7.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 10 mol%) and 2,4,6-tri(2-propyl)phenylsulfonic acid (4.2 mg, 0.015 mmol, 7.5 mol%). At this stage solid alcohol coupling partners (0.20 mmol, 100 mol%) were added. The tube was then sealed with a rubber septum and purged with argon. THF (0.20 mL, 1 M concentration with respect to alcohols) was then added. At this stage, liquid alcohol coupling partners (0.20 mmol, 100 mol%) were added. 2-propylalcohol (31 μL , 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%) was then added. Alkyne 1a (0.60 mmol, 300 mol%) was added *via* syringe and the rubber septum was quickly replaced with a screw cap. The mixture was then heated at 85 °C for the time stated. After cooling to room temperature, the mixture was passed through a short silica pad, washed the pad with EA, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in THF (2.0 mL) and TBAF (1.0 M in THF, 0.2 mL) was added at 0°C. The mixture was stirred at r.t for 30 min, then NaBH_4 (14.8 mg, 0.4 mmol), EtOH (1.0 mL) were added. After 1 h, the reaction was quenched by NH_4Cl (aq), and extracted by EA. Organic layer was washed by water, brine, dried over Na_2SO_4 , and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography (SiO_2 , eluent Hexanes:EA = 2:1) to afford the corresponding crotylation products.

(1*S*,2*S*)-2-methyl-1-phenylbutane-1,4-diol (3.5a).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (37.8 mg, 70%, *dr* = >20:1) as a white solid.

R_f=0.3 (50% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.38 – 7.24 (m, 5H), 4.41 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.83 – 3.74 (m, 1H), 3.71 – 3.61 (m, 1H), 2.68 (m, 2H), 2.00 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 1.86 – 1.75 (m, 1H), 1.67 – 1.55 (m, 1H), 0.78 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 143.75, 128.46, 127.70, 126.79, 79.40, 61.10, 38.54, 36.34, 17.48.

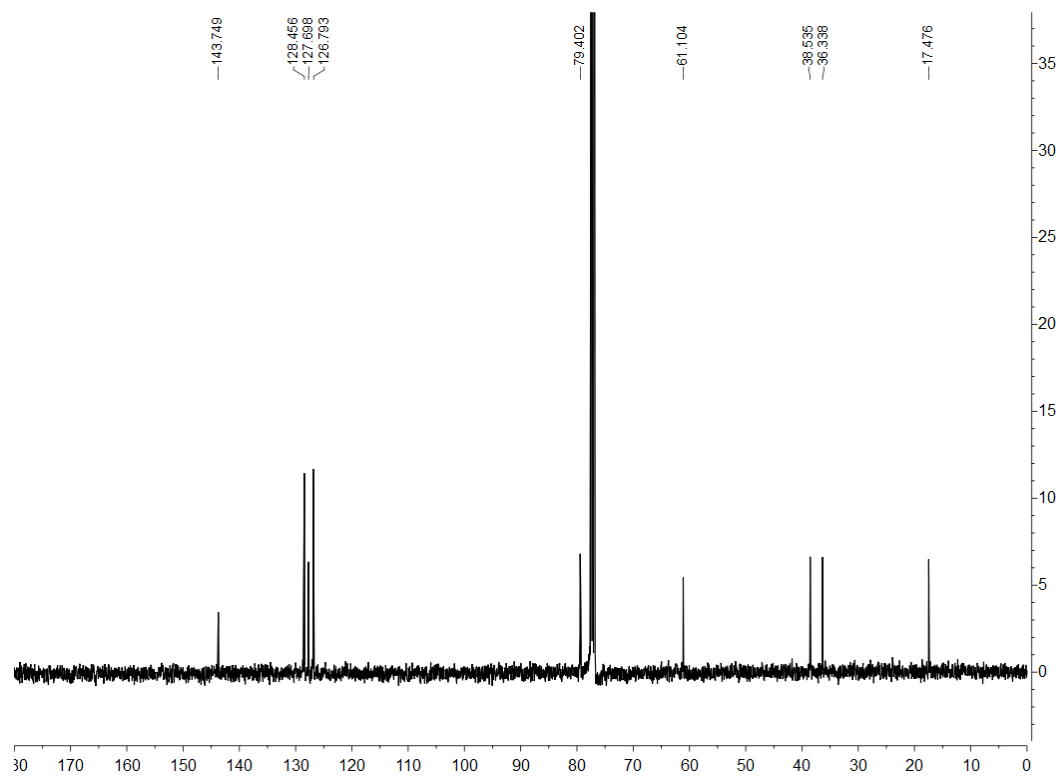
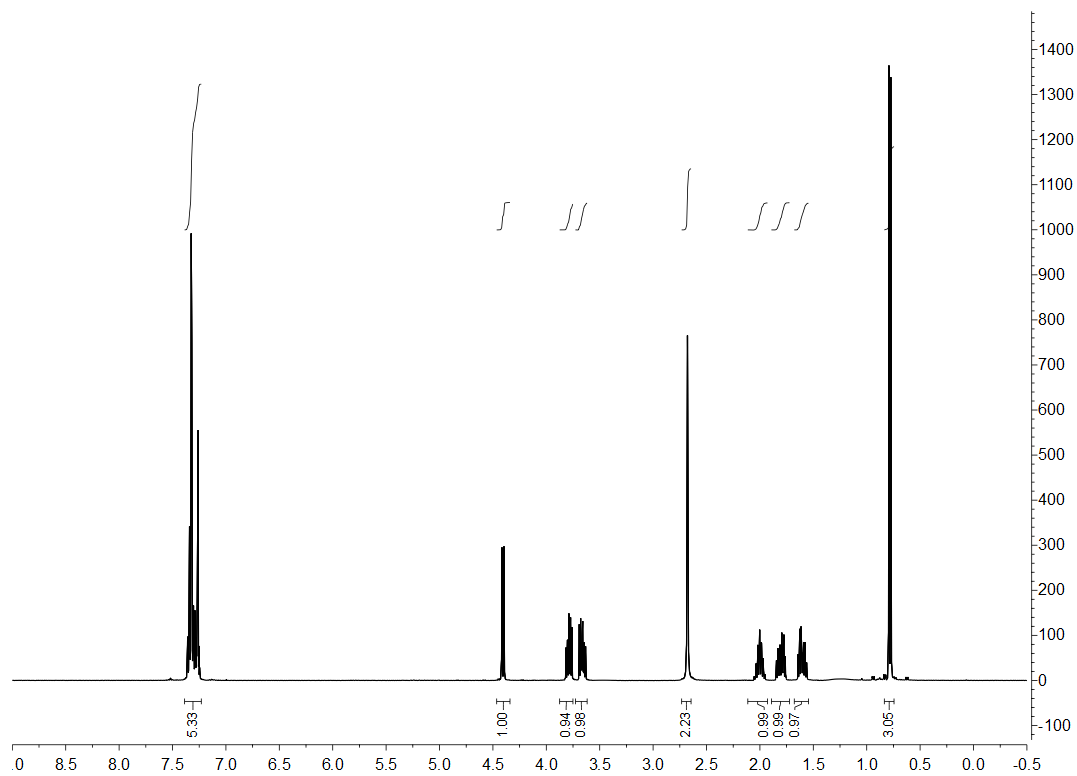
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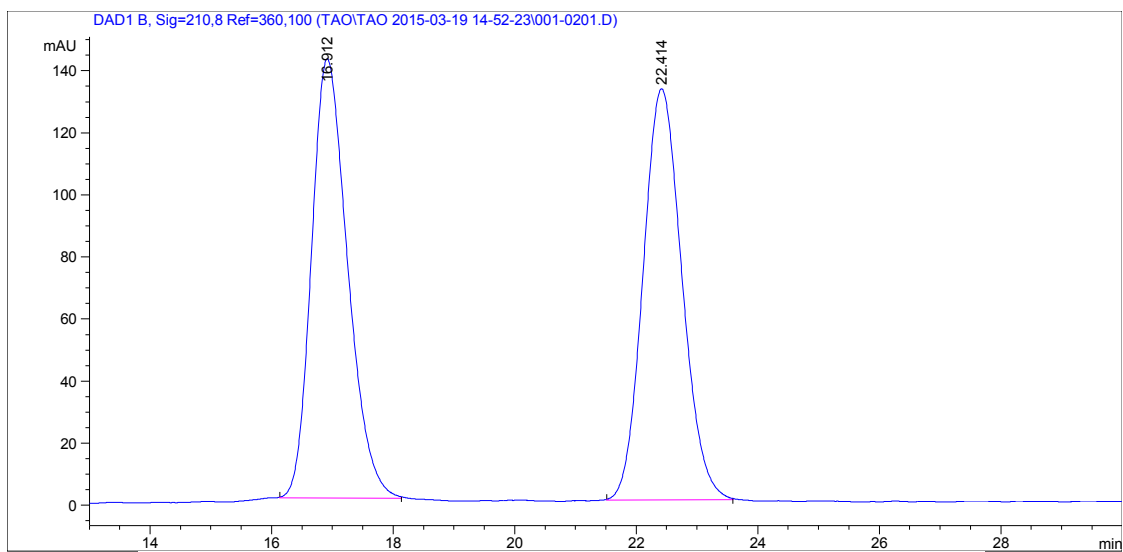
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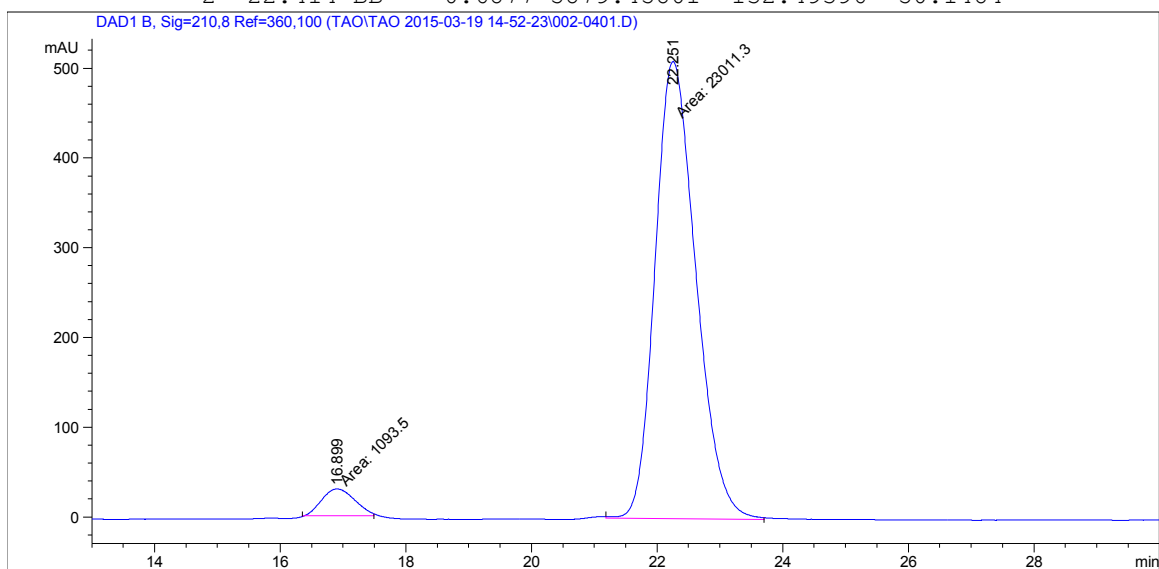
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M.P. 91.3-92.3 °C



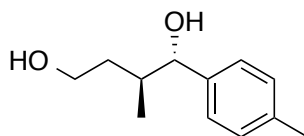


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(1*S*,2*S*)-2-methyl-1-(*p*-tolyl)butane-1,4-diol (3.5b).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (24.8mg, 64%, *dr* = >20:1) as a white solid.

R_f = 0.3 (50% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.21 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 4.39 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.86 – 3.76 (m, 1H), 3.74 – 3.61 (m, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 2.26 (s, 2H), 1.99 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.88 – 1.76 (m, 1H), 1.67 – 1.55 (m, 1H), 0.78 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 140.77, 137.42, 129.18, 126.71, 79.34, 61.27, 38.43, 36.52, 21.26, 17.49.

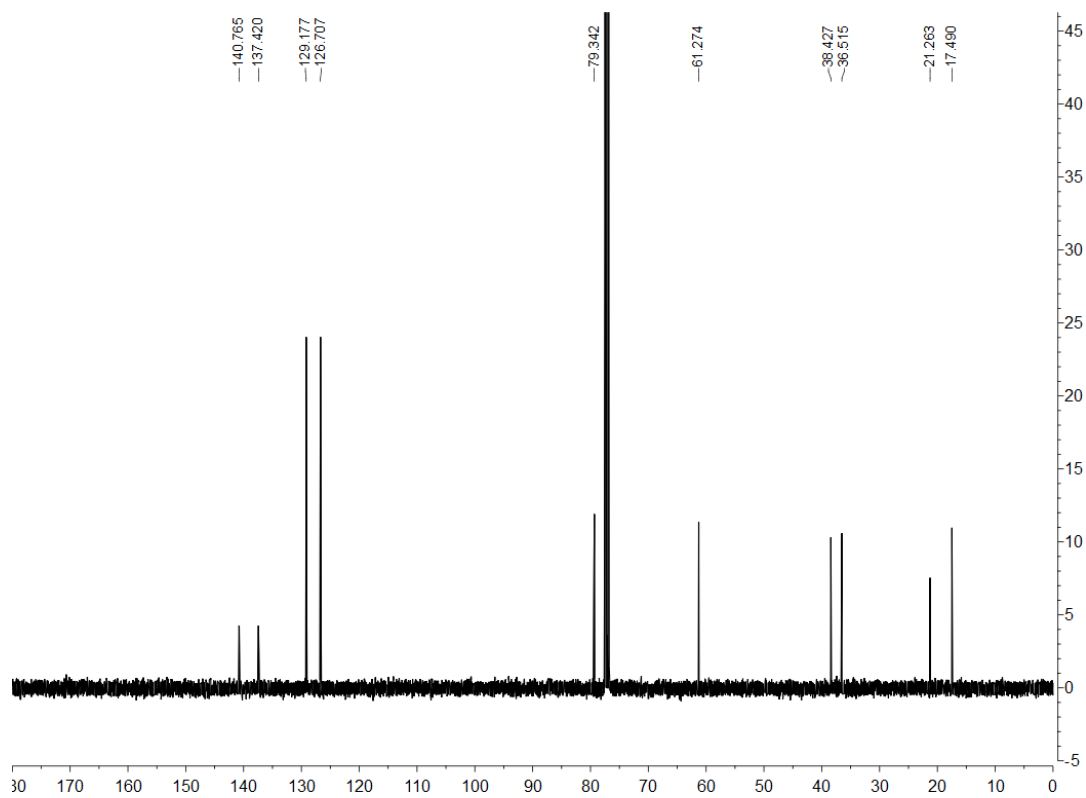
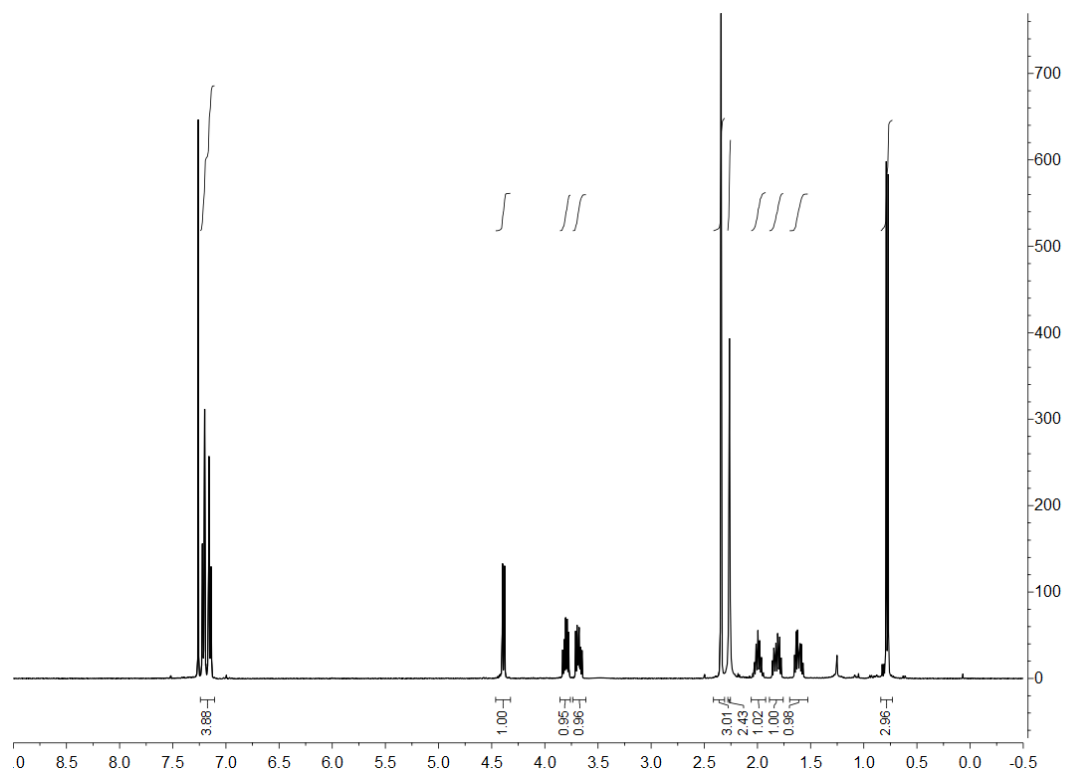
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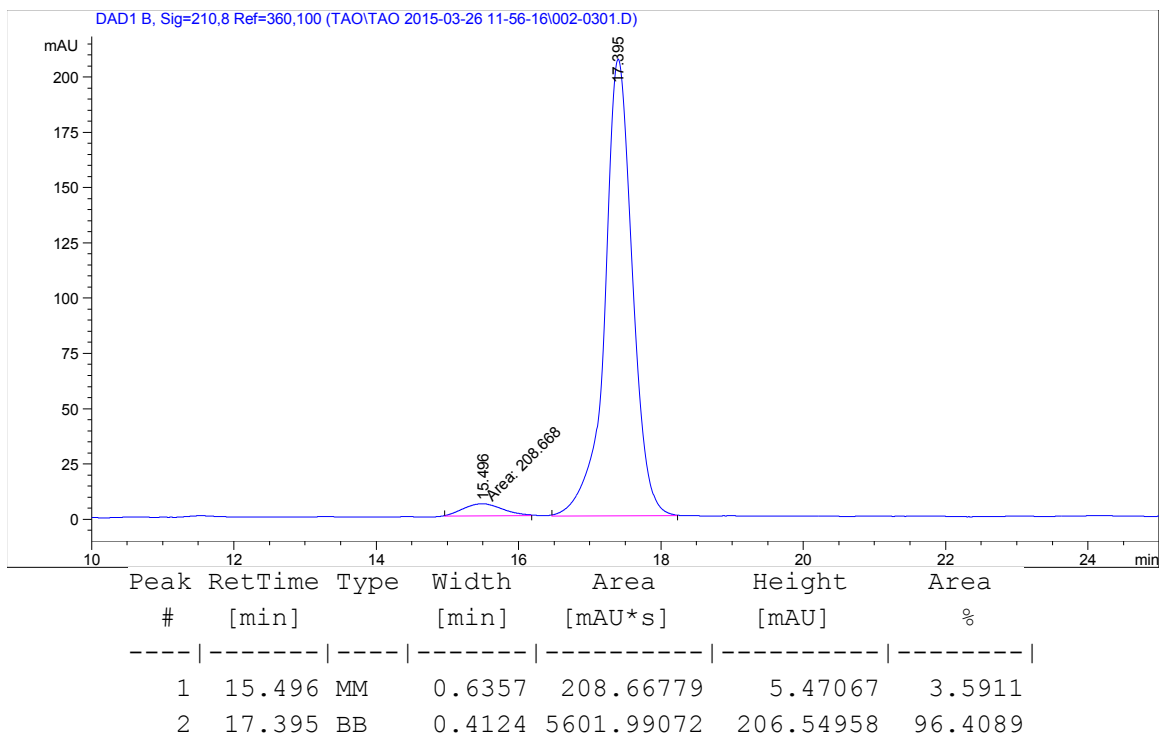
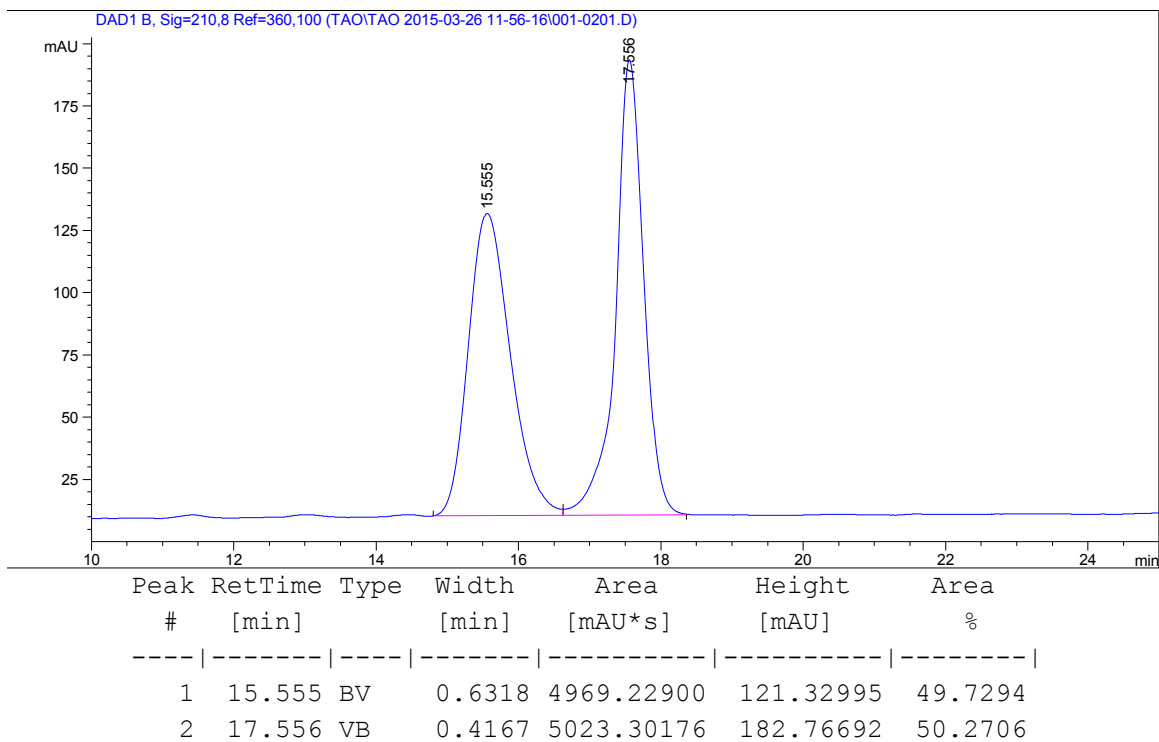
FTIR (neat): 3314, 3016, 2970, 1739, 1365, 1229, 1217cm⁻¹.

HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 93%.

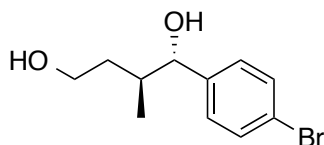
[α]_D²⁵ = - 51.8 (c = 0.65, CHCl₃)

M.P. 117-118.6 °C





(1*S*,2*S*)-1-(4-bromophenyl)-2-methylbutane-1,4-diol (3.5c).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (39.8 mg, 76%, *dr* = >20:1) as a white solid.

R_f = 0.3 (50% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, Methanol-*d*₄): δ 7.47 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 4.40 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.69 – 3.61 (m, 1H), 3.59 – 3.51 (m, 1H), 1.97 – 1.78 (m, 2H), 1.39 – 1.26 (m, 1H), 0.81 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

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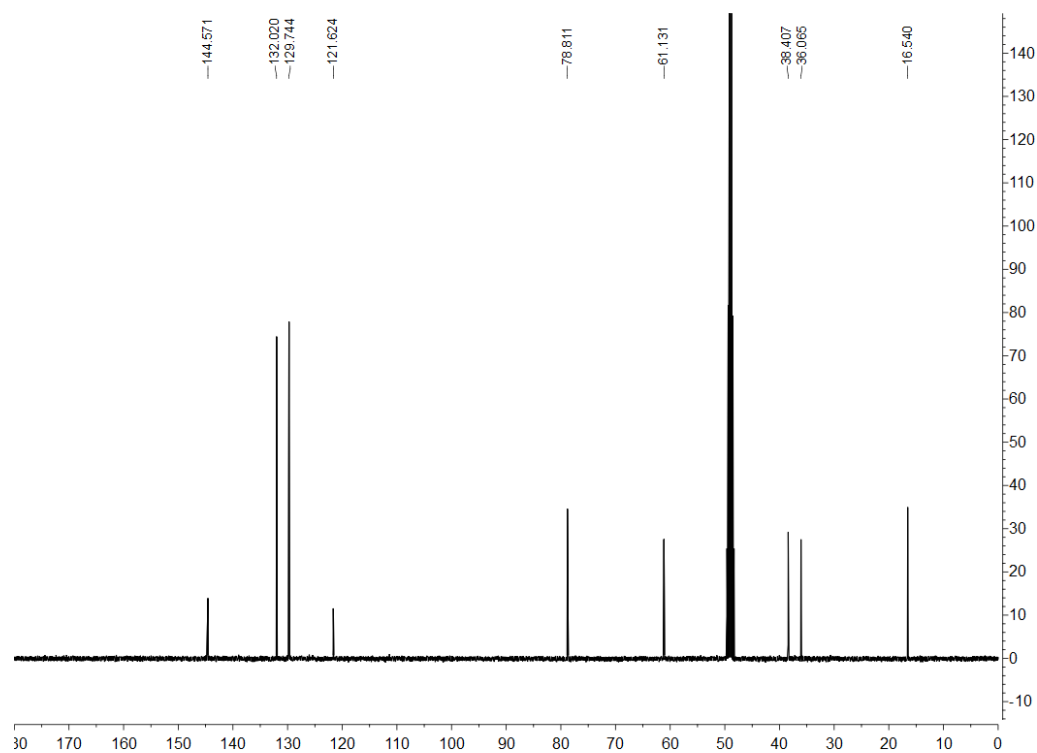
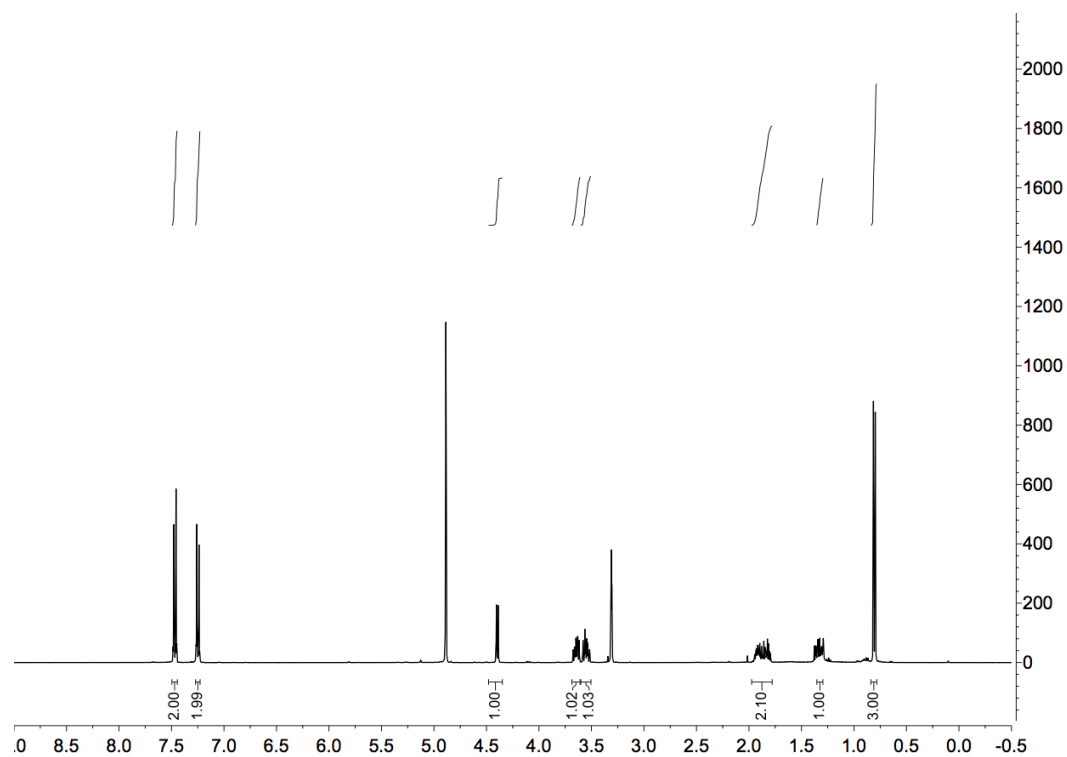
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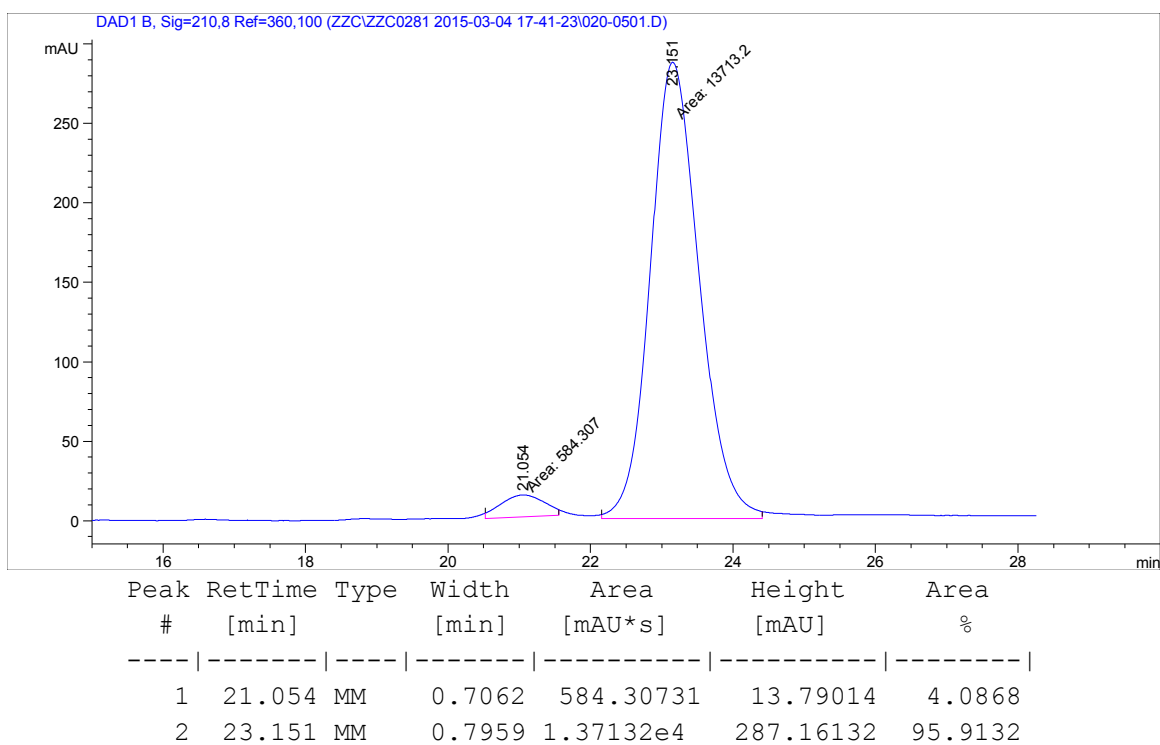
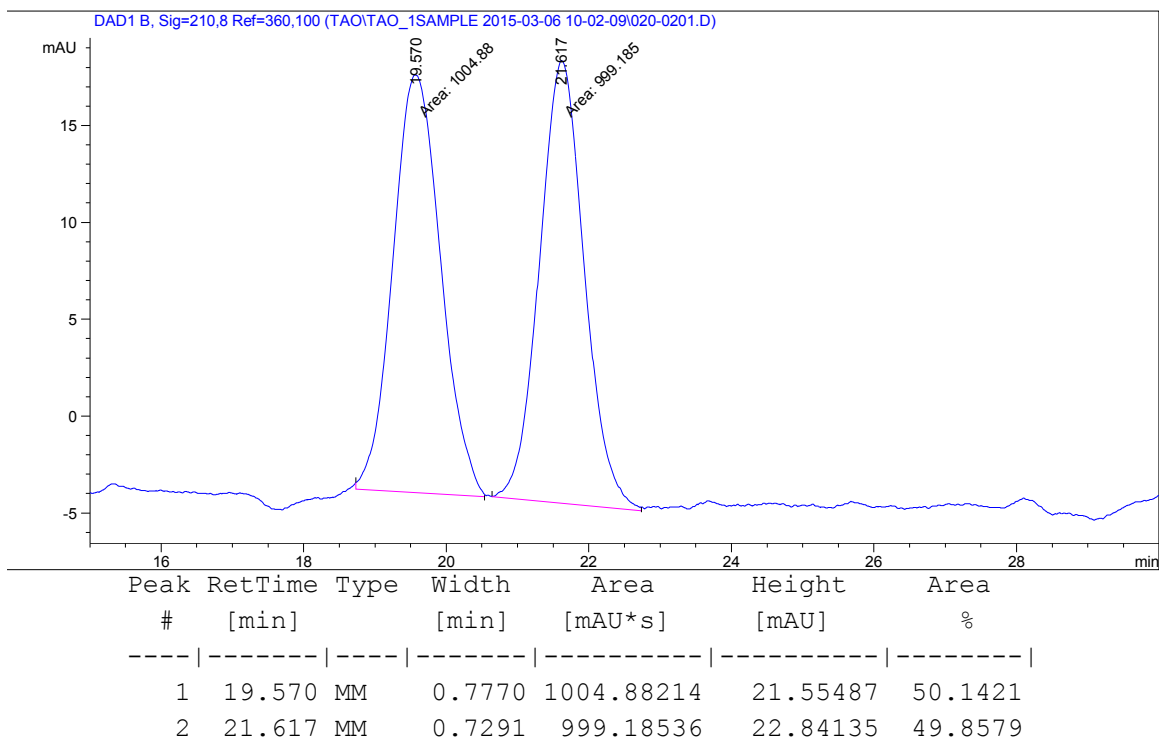
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HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 92%.

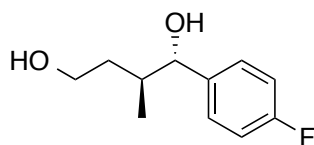
[α]_D²⁵ = - 6.4 (c = 0.7, CHCl₃)

M.P. 146.1-147.4 °C





(1*S*,2*S*)-1-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-methylbutane-1,4-diol (3.5d).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (27.7 mg, 75%, *dr* = >20:1) as a white solid.

R_f = 0.3 (50% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.32 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.06 – 6.99 (m, 2H), 4.41 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (ddd, *J* = 10.6, 6.3, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 3.68 (ddd, *J* = 10.7, 7.8, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.03 – 1.91 (m, 1H), 1.85 – 1.75 (m, 1H), 1.65 – 1.56 (m, 1H), 0.78 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 163.37, 160.93, 139.40, 139.37, 128.22, 128.14, 115.21, 115.00, 78.56, 60.91, 38.49, 36.03, 17.20.

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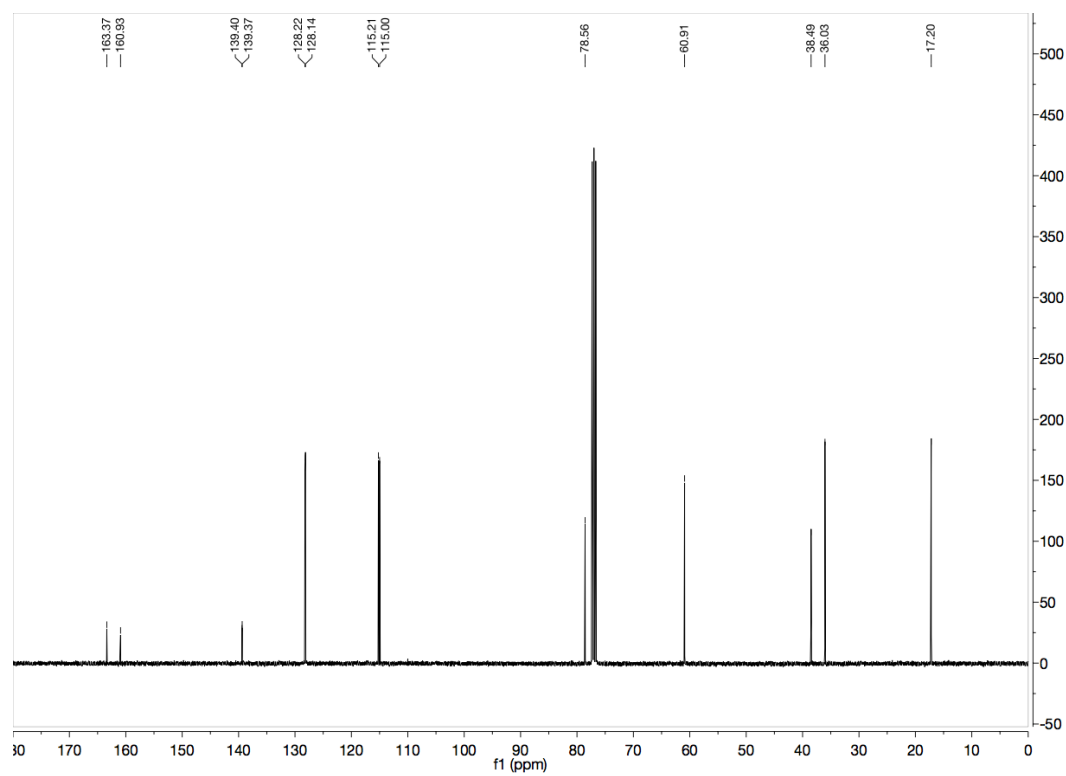
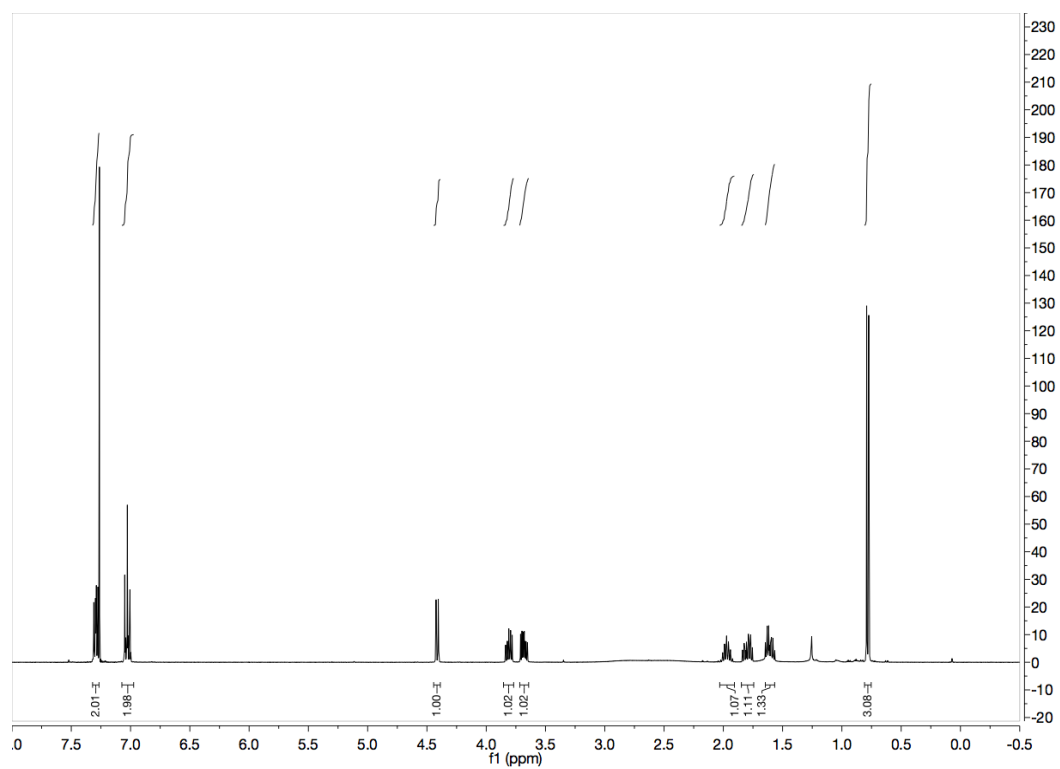
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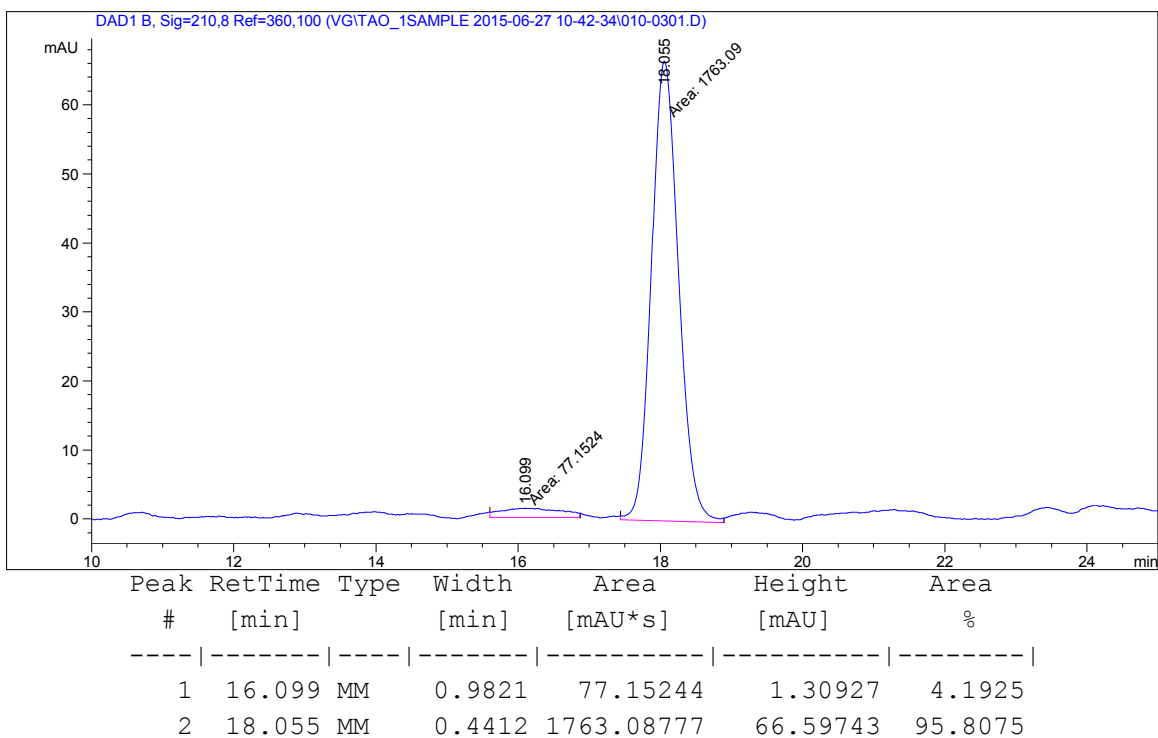
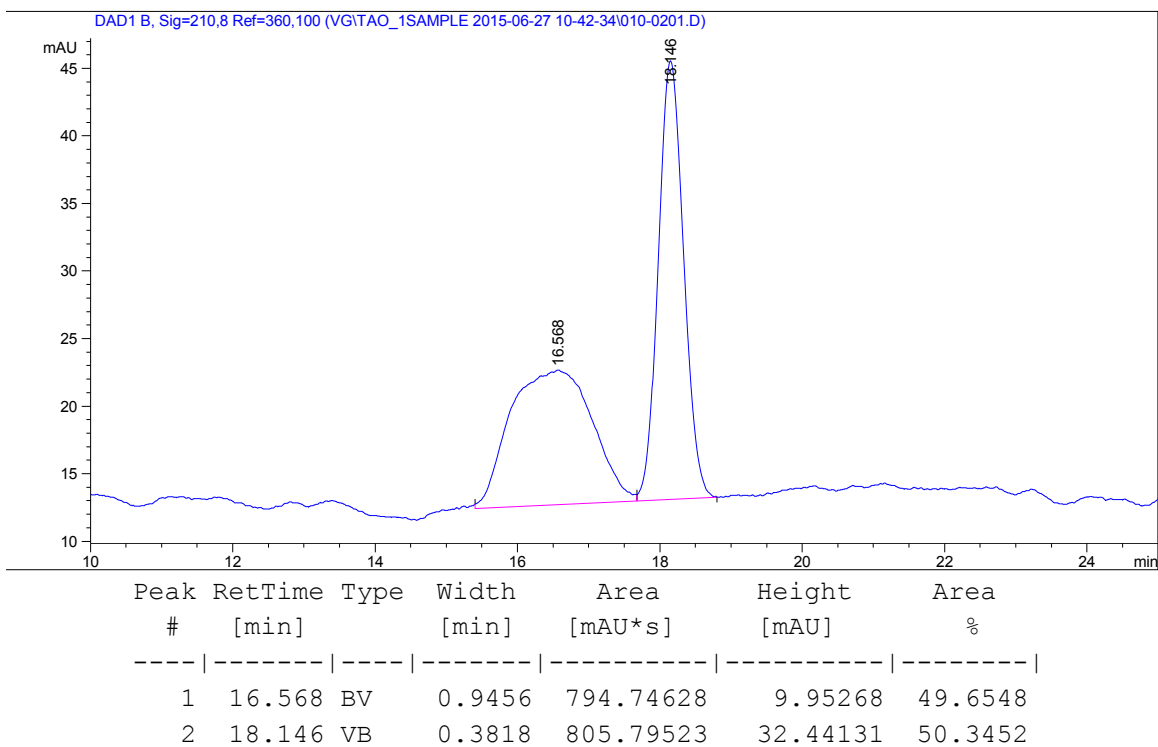
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HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 92%.

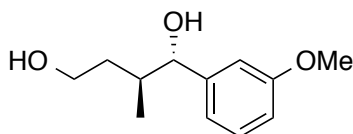
[α]_D²⁵ = + 10.0 (c = 0.32, CHCl₃)

M.P. 114.7-115.9 °C





(1*S*,2*S*)-1-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2-methylbutane-1,4-diol (3.5e).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (31.5 mg, 75%, *dr* = >20:1) as a colorless oil.

R_f = 0.3 (50% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.24 (t, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.90 – 6.86 (m, 2H), 6.83 – 6.78 (m, 1H), 4.35 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.78 – 3.72 (m, 1H), 3.68 – 3.59 (m, 1H), 3.01 – 2.87 (m, 2H), 1.97 (p, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 1.83 – 1.72 (m, 1H), 1.65 – 1.53 (m, 1H), 0.78 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H).

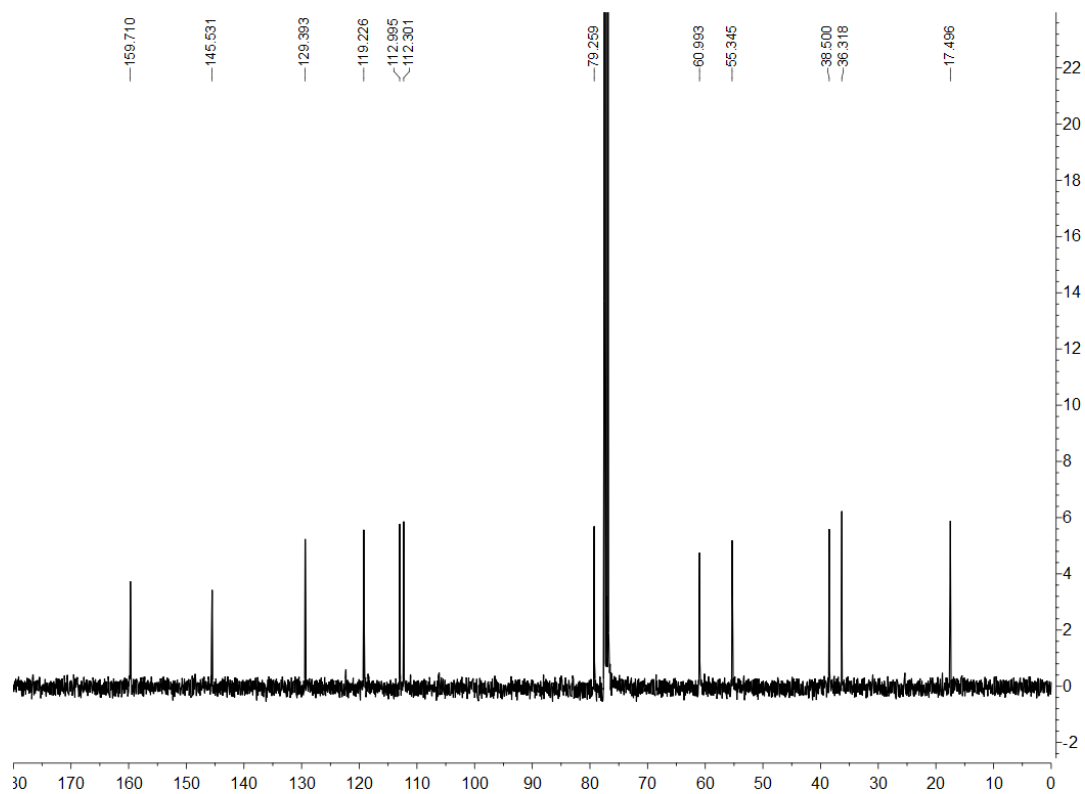
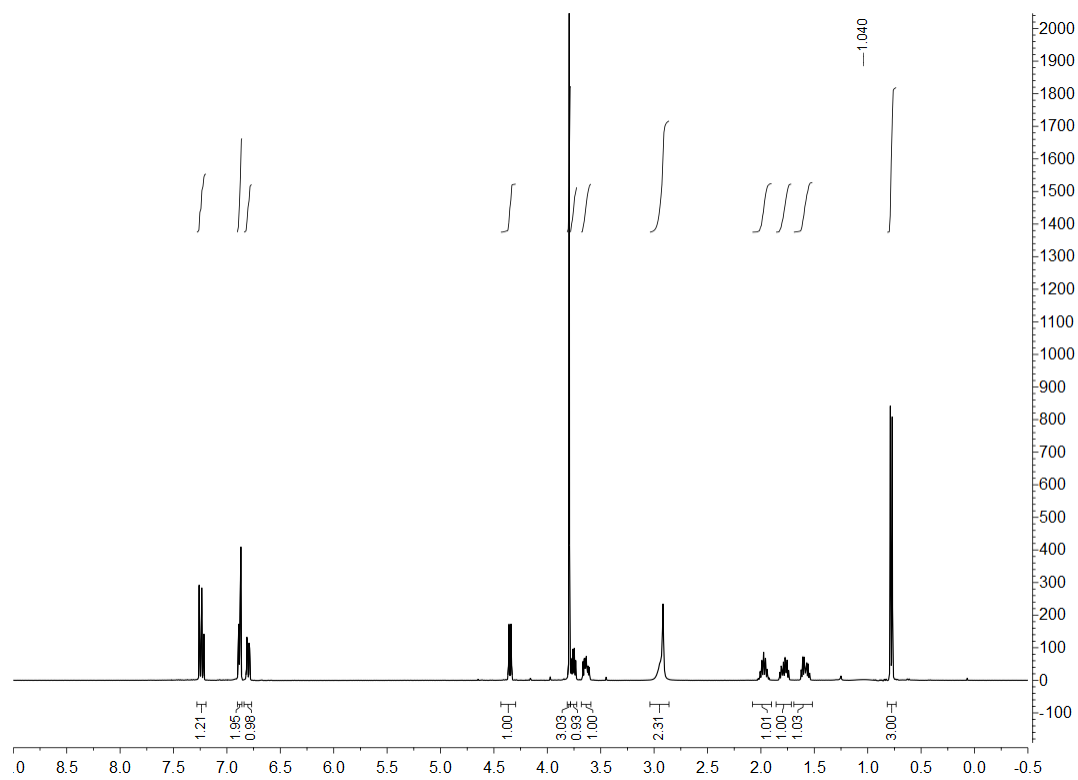
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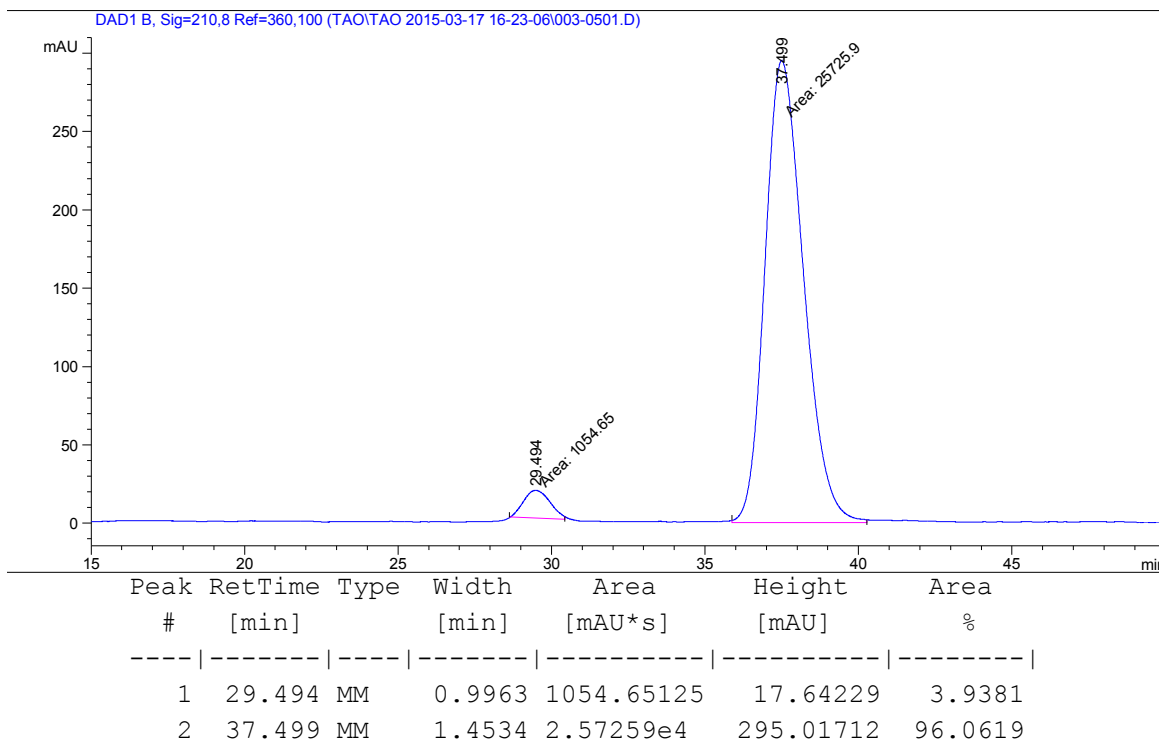
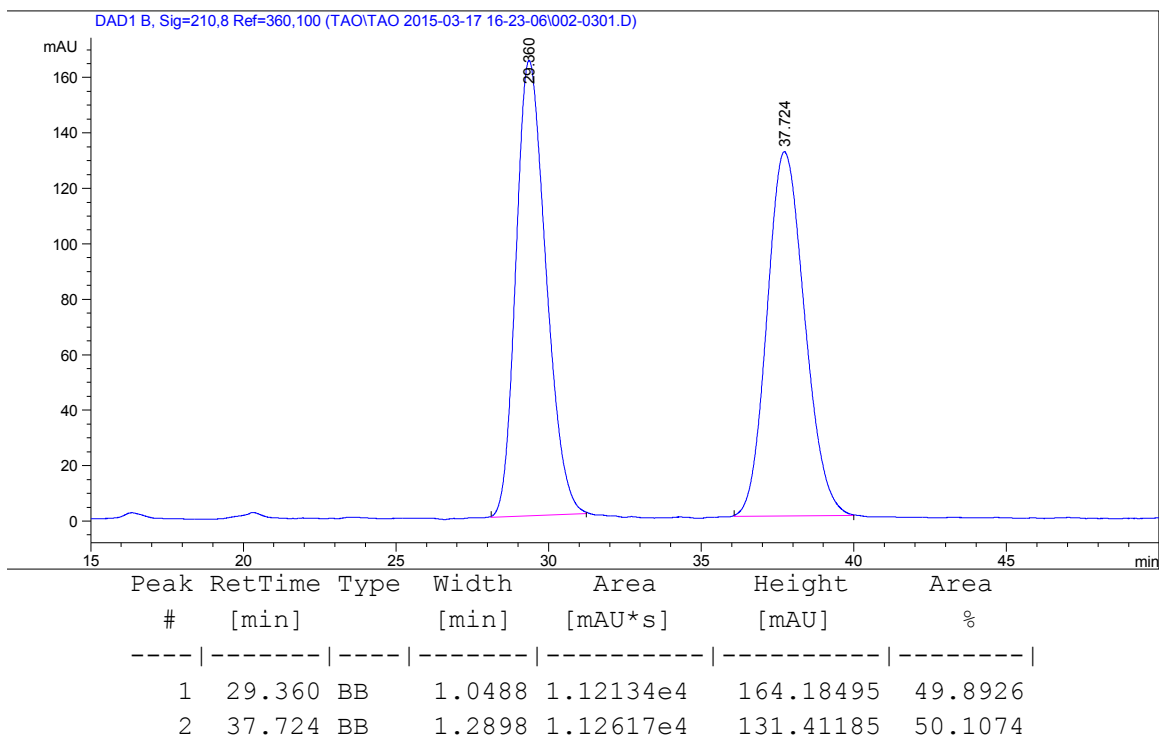
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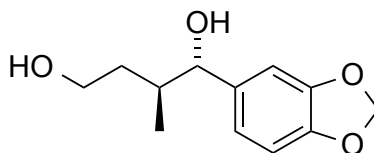
HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 92%.

[α]_D²⁵ = - 29.0 (c = 0.76, CHCl₃)





(1*S*,2*S*)-1-(benzo[*d*][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-2-methylbutane-1,4-diol (3.5f).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (23.7 mg, 63%, *dr* = >20:1) as a white solid.

R_f = 0.3 (50% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 6.84 (s, 1H), 6.76 (d, *J* = 1.0 Hz, 2H), 5.95 (s, 2H), 4.32 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.84 – 3.76 (m, 1H), 3.72 – 3.64 (m, 1H), 2.61 (s, 2H), 1.94 (hept, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 1.85 – 1.76 (m, 1H), 1.65 – 1.57 (m, 1H), 0.77 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 147.71, 146.90, 137.73, 120.11, 107.90, 106.88, 100.96, 79.17, 61.07, 38.48, 36.41, 17.38.

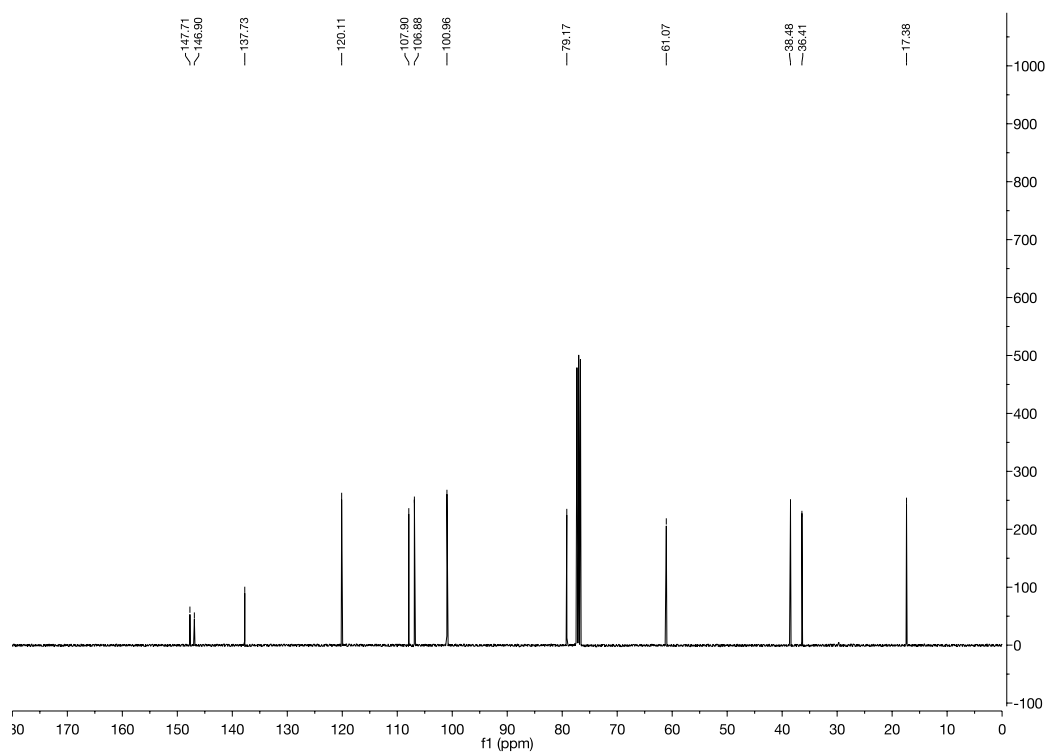
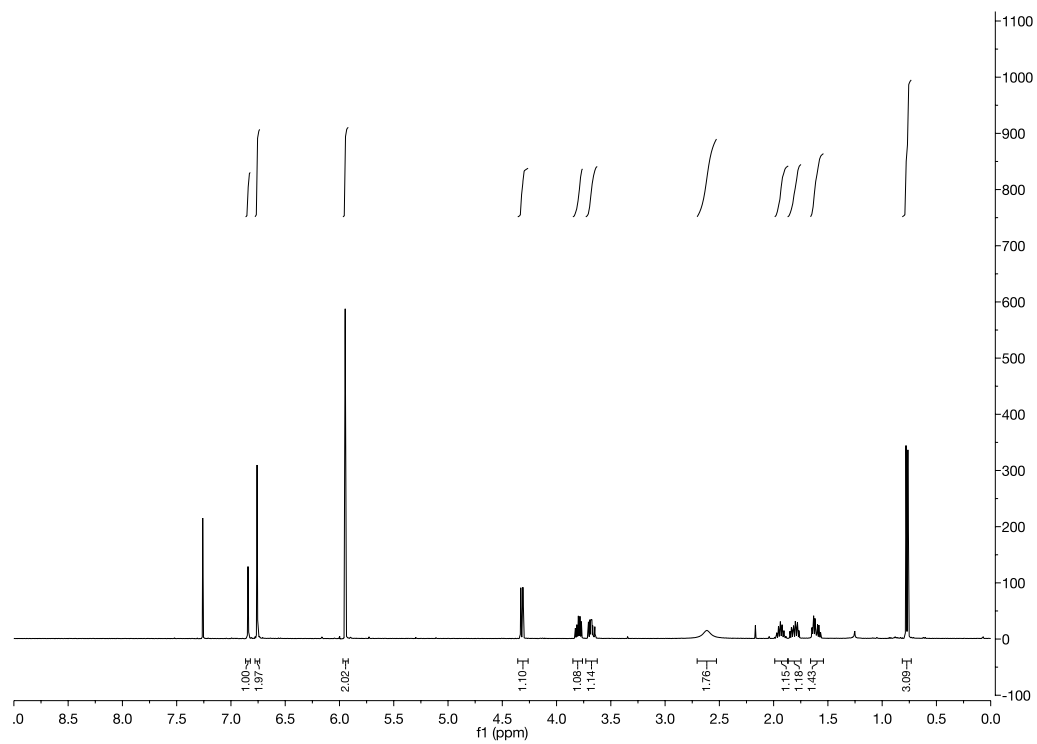
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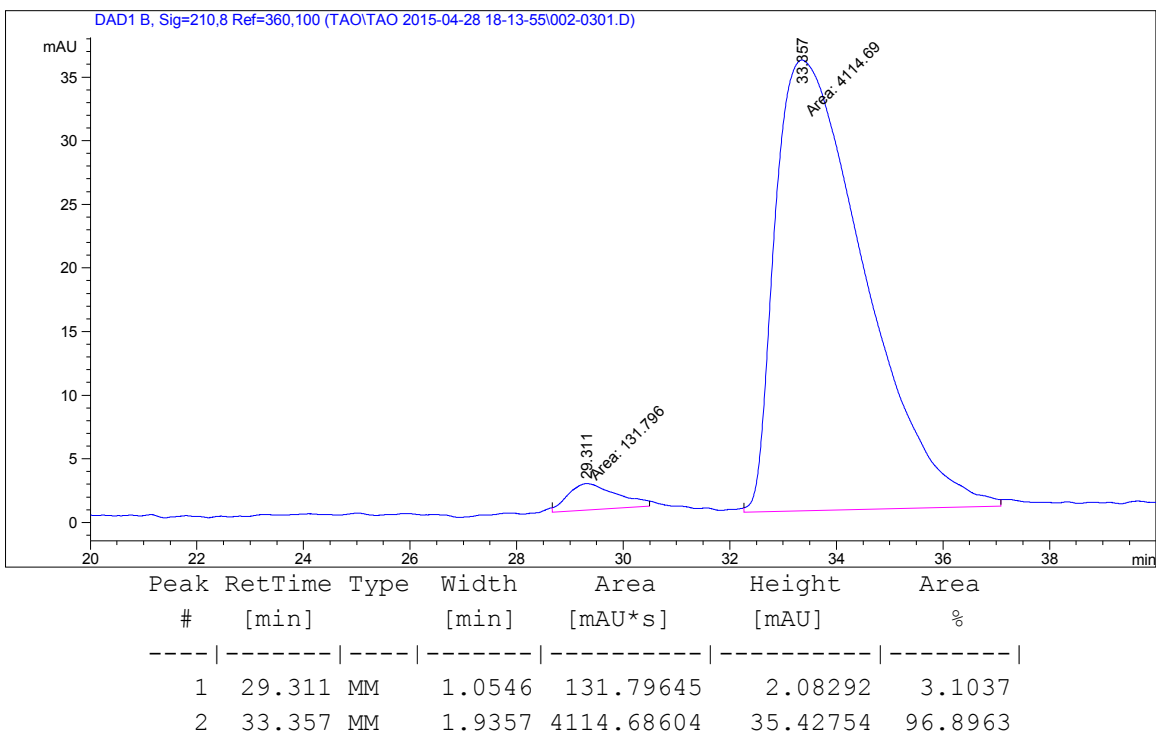
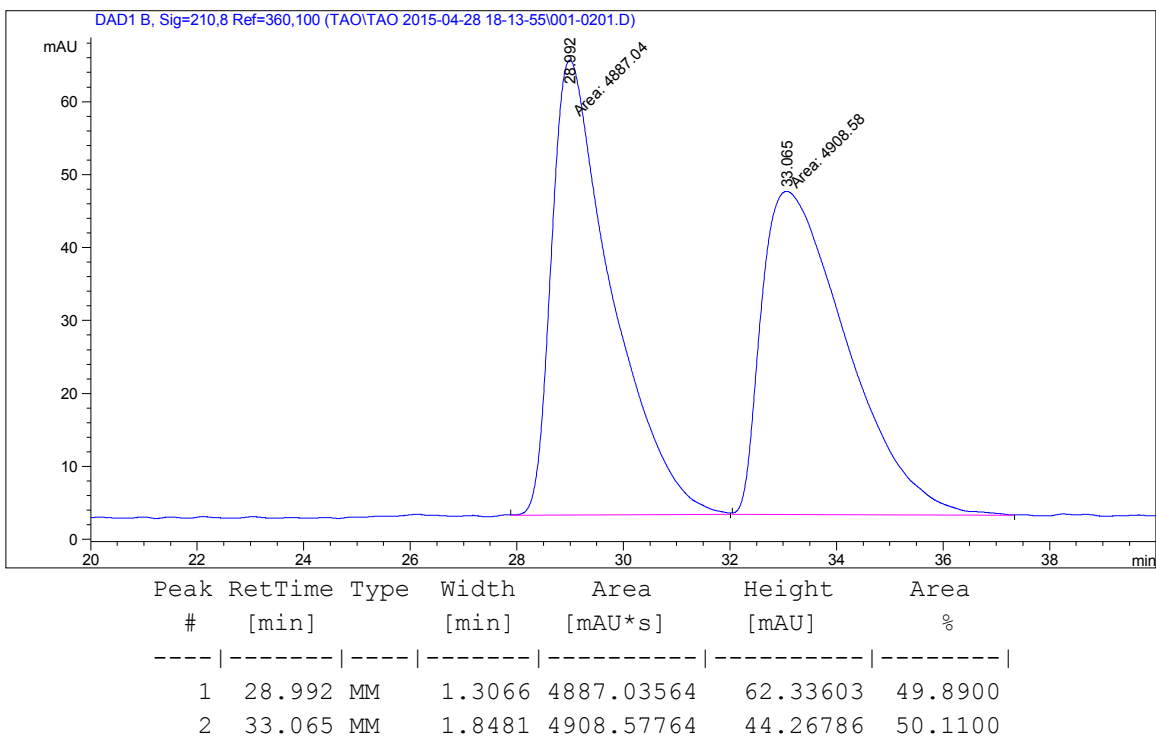
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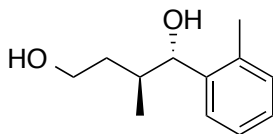
[α]_D²⁵ = - 58.7 (c = 0.48, CHCl₃)

M.P. 97.3-98.6 °C





(1*S*,2*S*)-2-methyl-1-(*o*-tolyl)butane-1,4-diol (3.5g)



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (23.6 mg, 61%, *dr* = >20:1) as a white solid.

R_f = 0.4 (50% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.42 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (td, *J* = 7.3, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (td, *J* = 7.3, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 4.69 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.84 – 3.73 (m, 1H), 3.66 (ddd, *J* = 10.8, 7.9, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 2.86 (s, 2H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 2.02 (hept, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 1.90 – 1.76 (m, 1H), 1.74 – 1.61 (m, 1H), 0.81 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 141.99, 135.06, 130.37, 127.18, 126.30, 126.22, 75.18, 61.06, 38.02, 36.22, 19.49, 17.40.

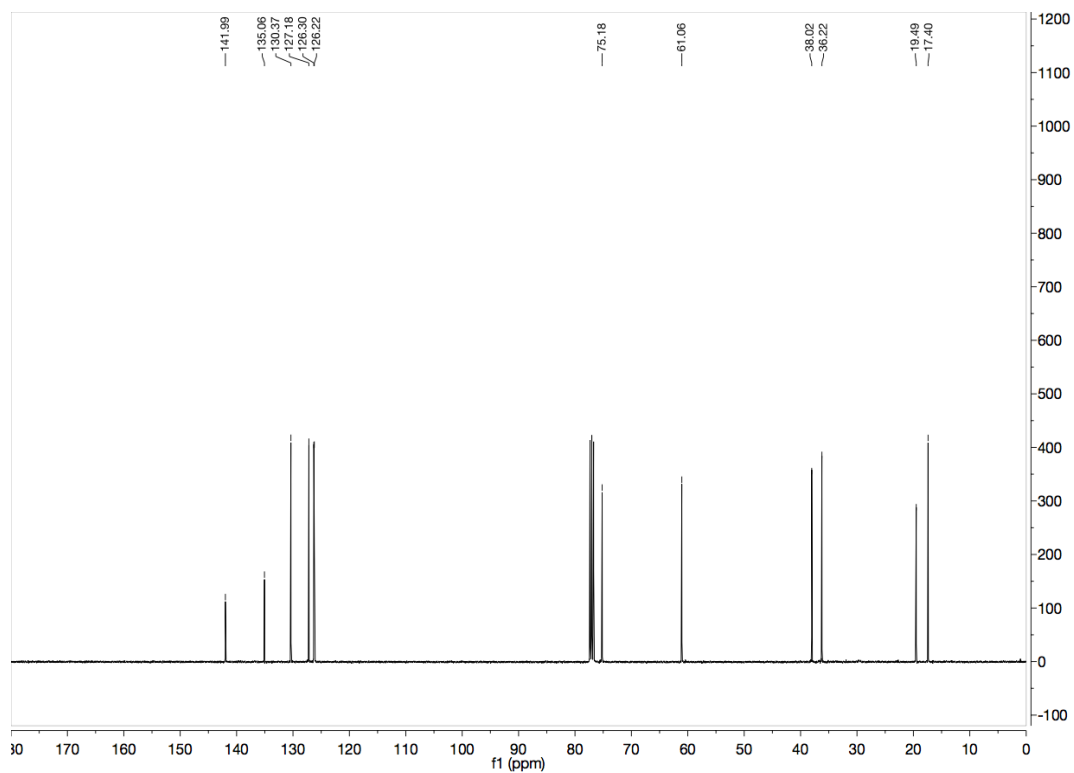
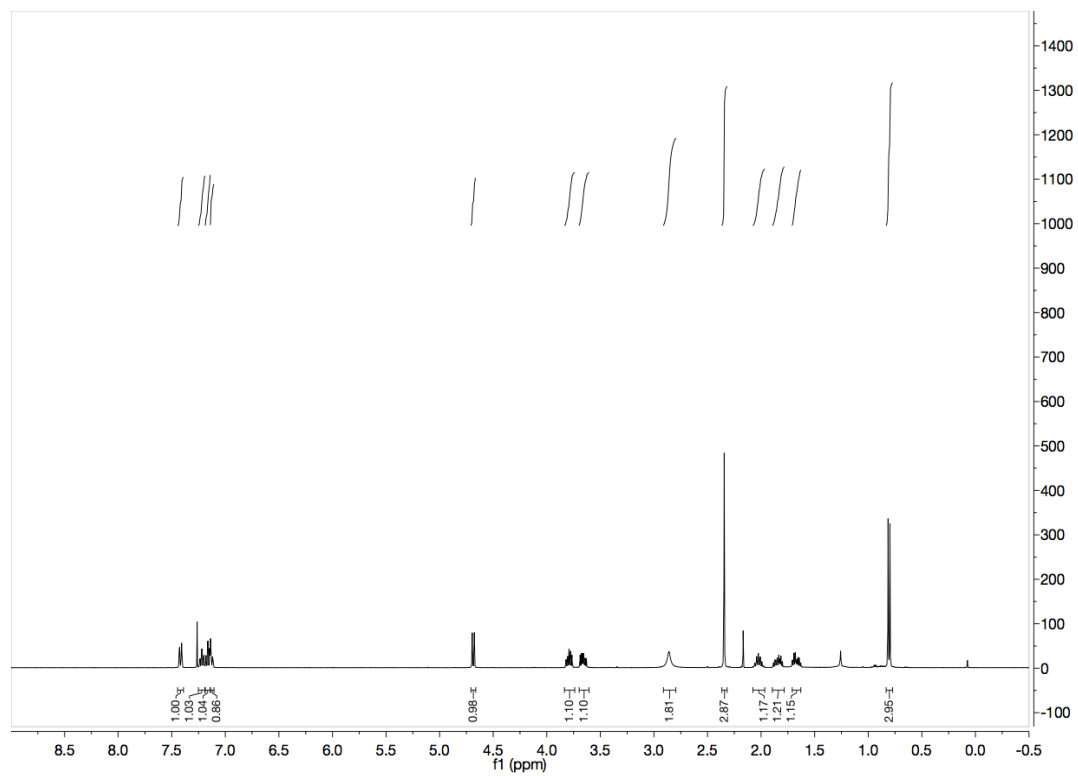
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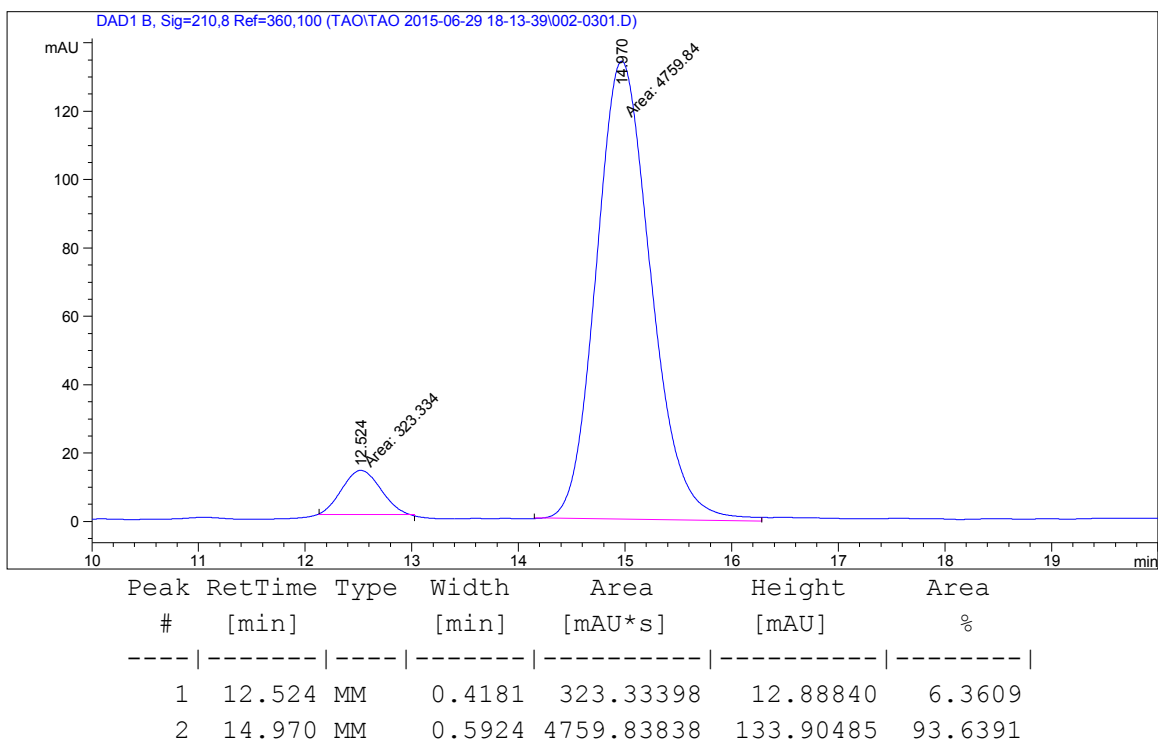
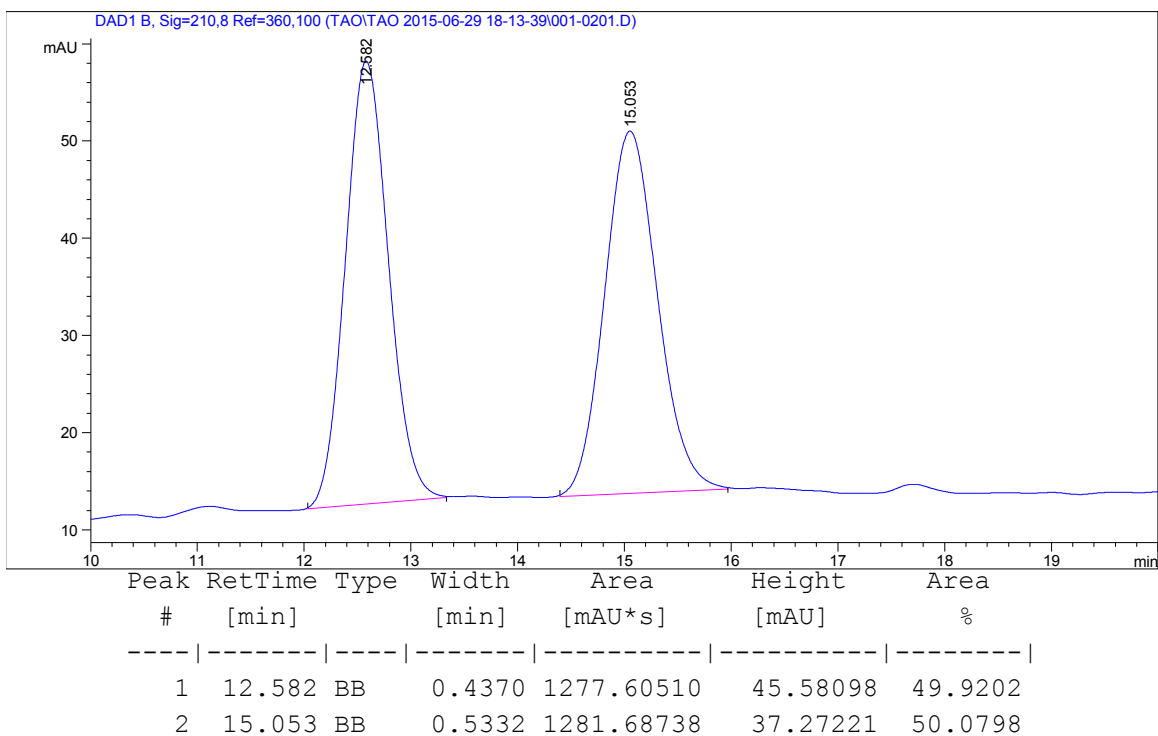
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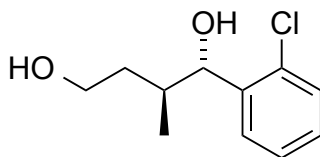
[α]_D²⁵ = - 37.9 (c = 0.44, CHCl₃)

M.P. 84.6-86.7 °C





(1*S*,2*S*)-1-(2-chlorophenyl)-2-methylbutane-1,4-diol (3.5h).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (29.1 mg, 68%, *dr* = >20:1) as a colorless oil.

R_f = 0.5 (50% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.52 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 4.95 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.83 – 3.74 (m, 1H), 3.68 – 3.58 (m, 1H), 3.26 (bs, 1H), 2.69 (bs, 1H), 2.09 (hept, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 1.83 – 1.69 (m, 1H), 1.68 – 1.56 (m, 1H), 0.90 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H).

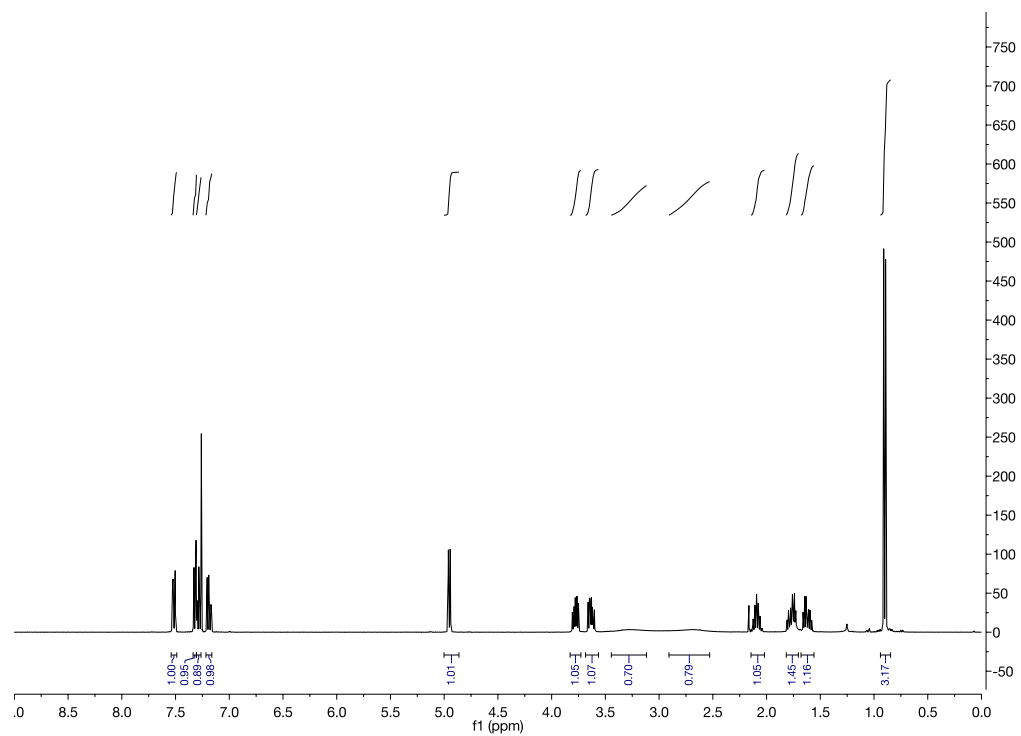
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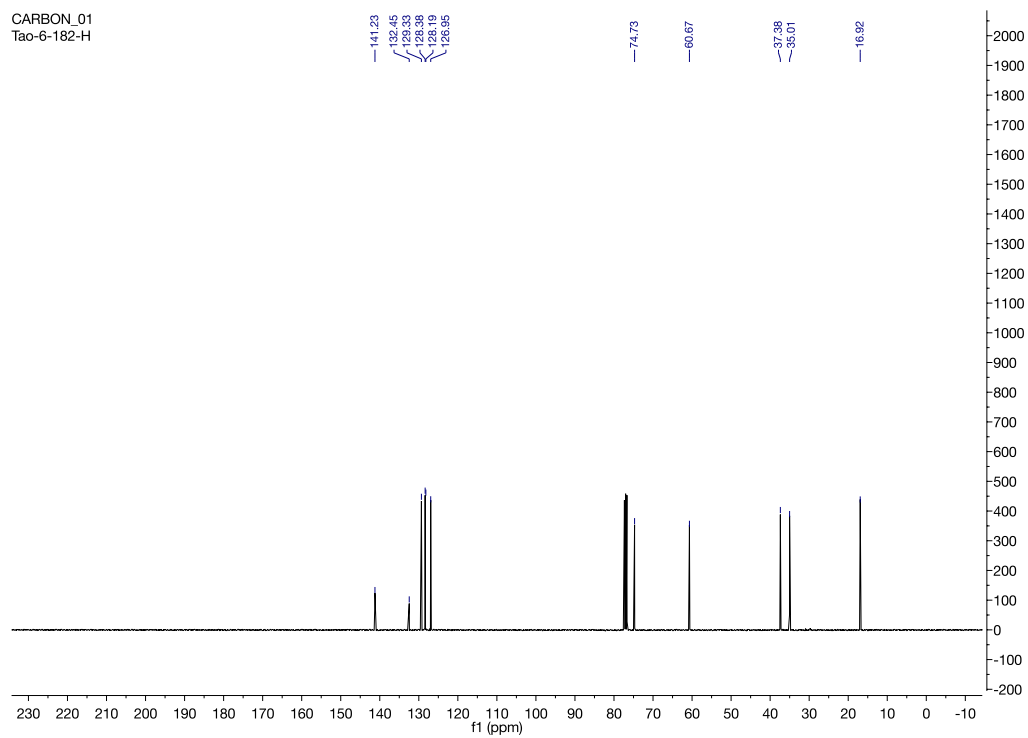
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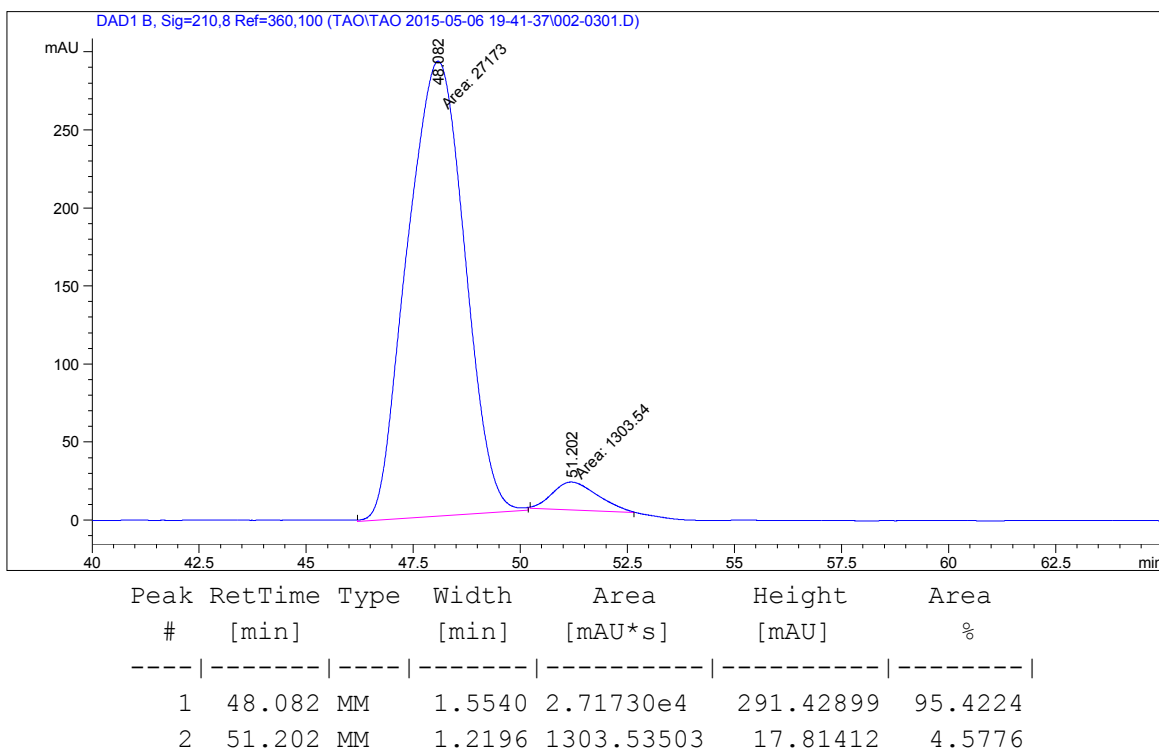
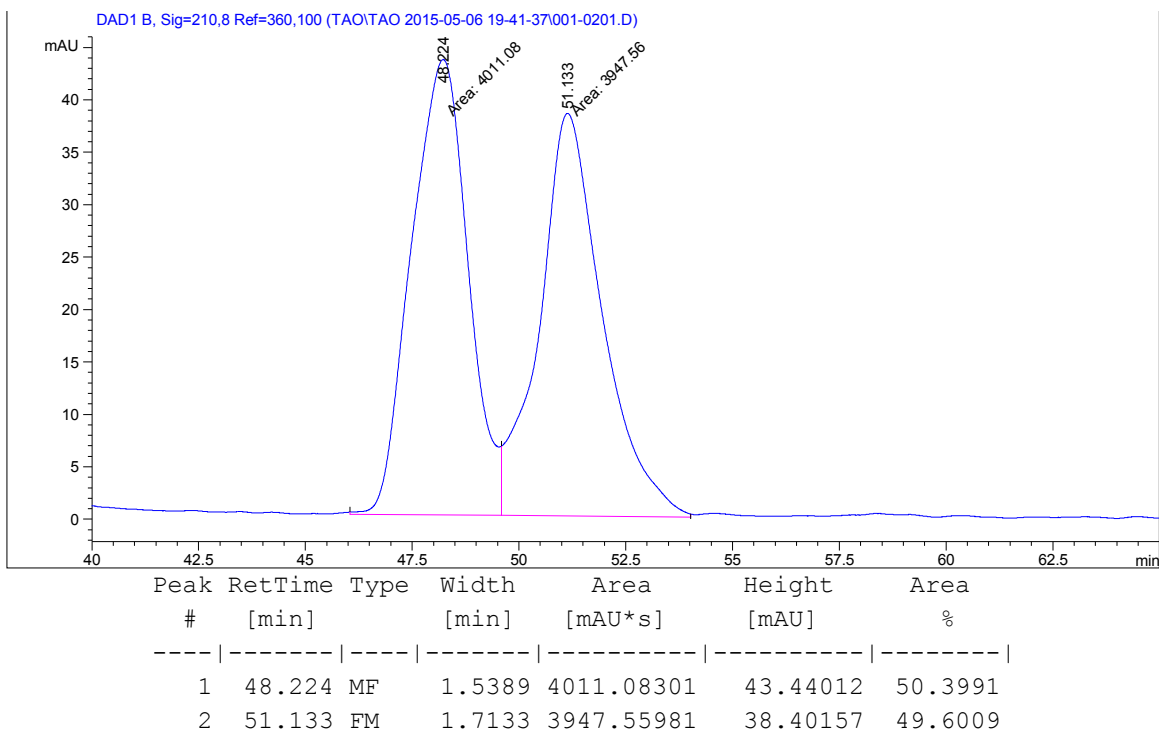
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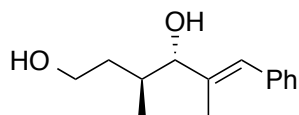


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(3*S*,4*S*,*E*)-3,5-dimethyl-6-phenylhex-5-ene-1,4-diol (3.5i).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (29.7 mg, 72%, *dr* = >20:1) as a colorless liquid.

R_f = 0.3 (50% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.36 – 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.30 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.27 – 7.18 (m, 1H), 6.47 (s, 1H), 3.88 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 3.85 – 3.78 (m, 1H), 3.69 (ddd, *J* = 10.8, 8.1, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 2.76 (s, 2H), 1.97 – 1.88 (m, 1H), 1.87 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 3H), 1.86 – 1.79 (m, 1H), 1.68 – 1.58 (m, 1H), 0.90 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

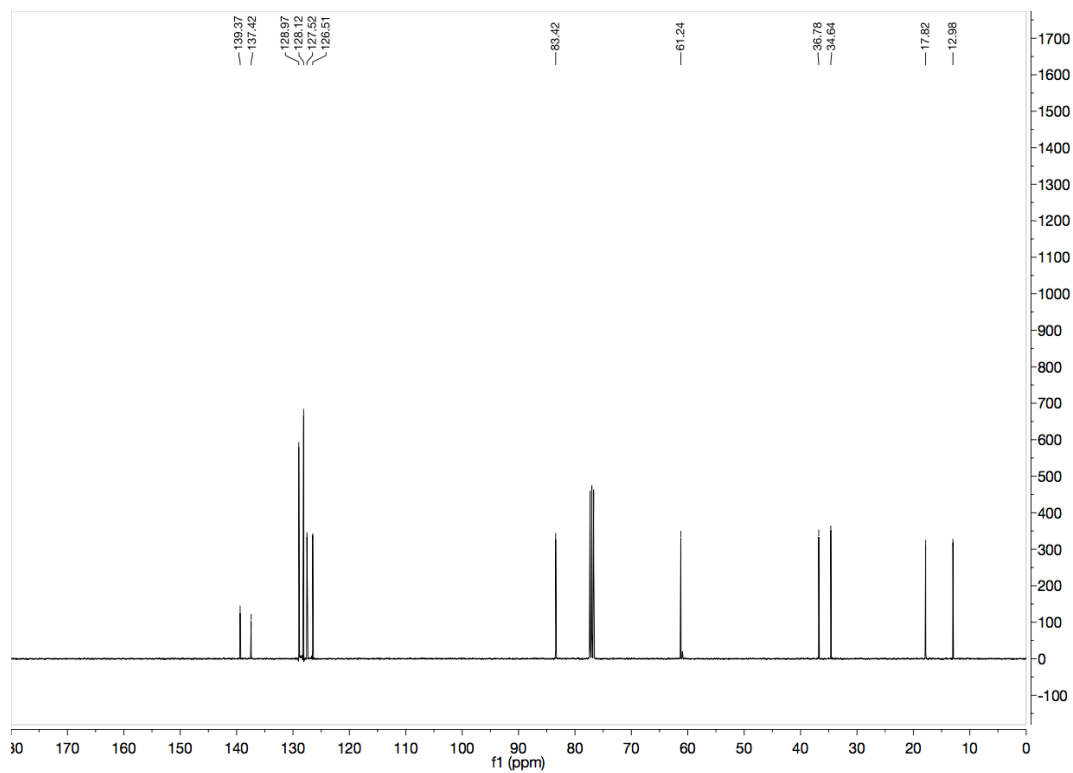
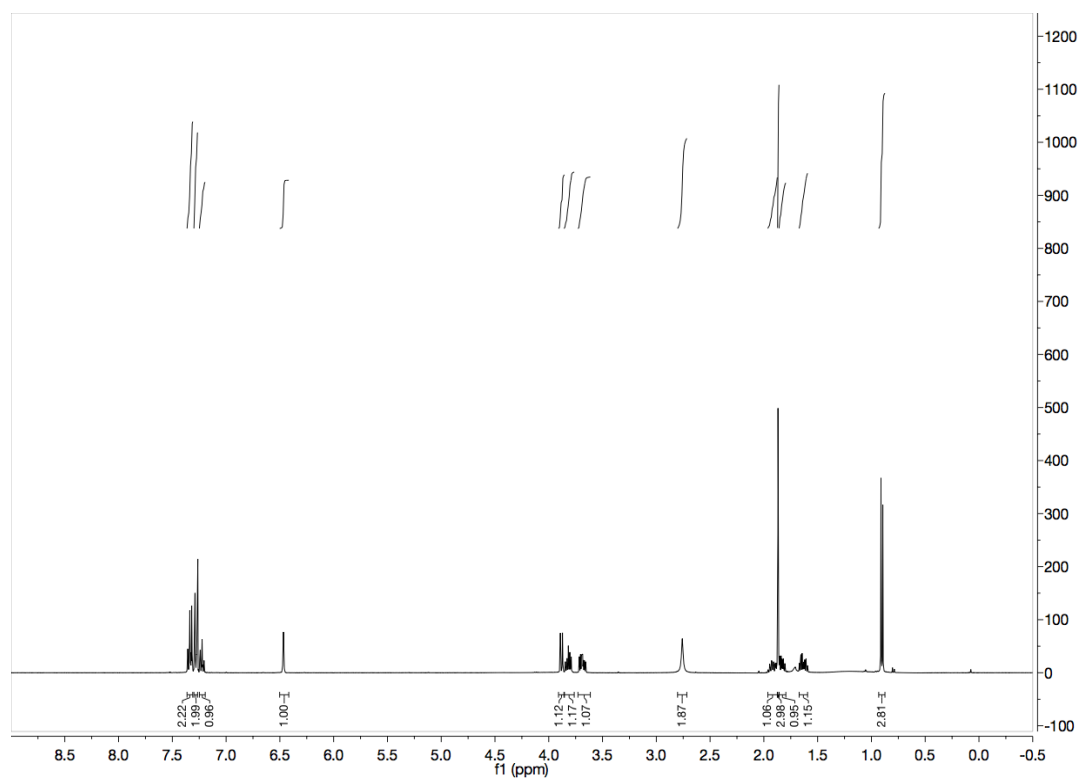
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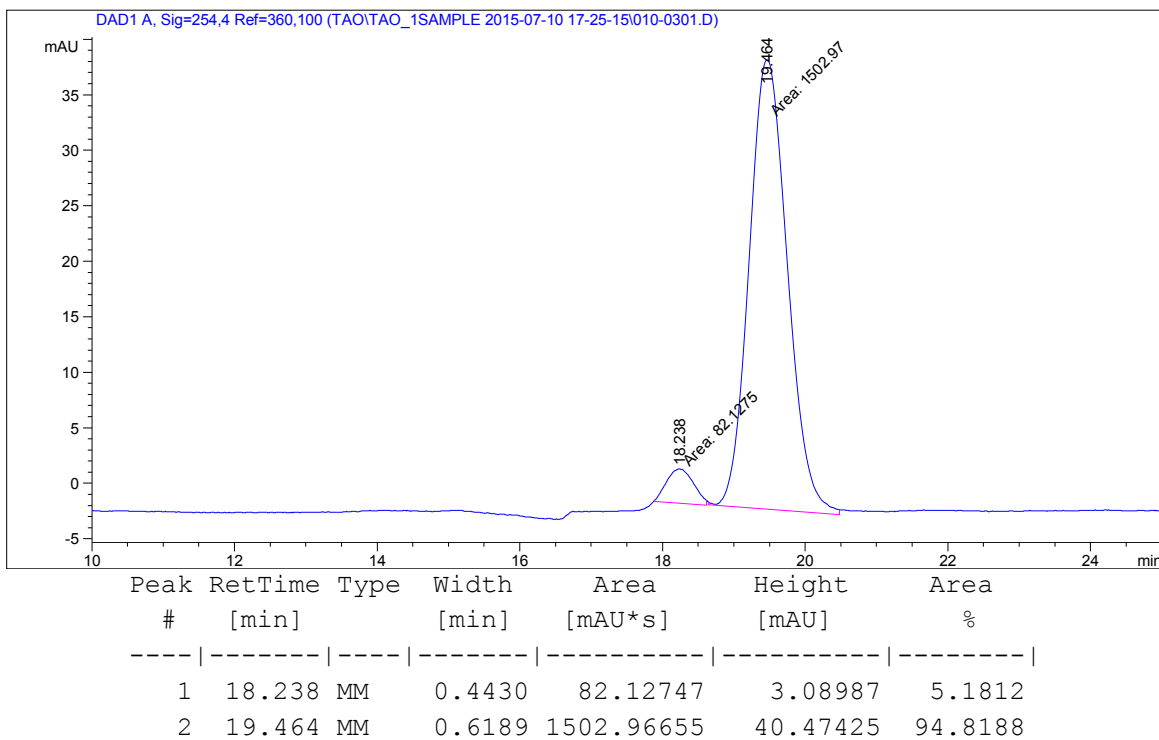
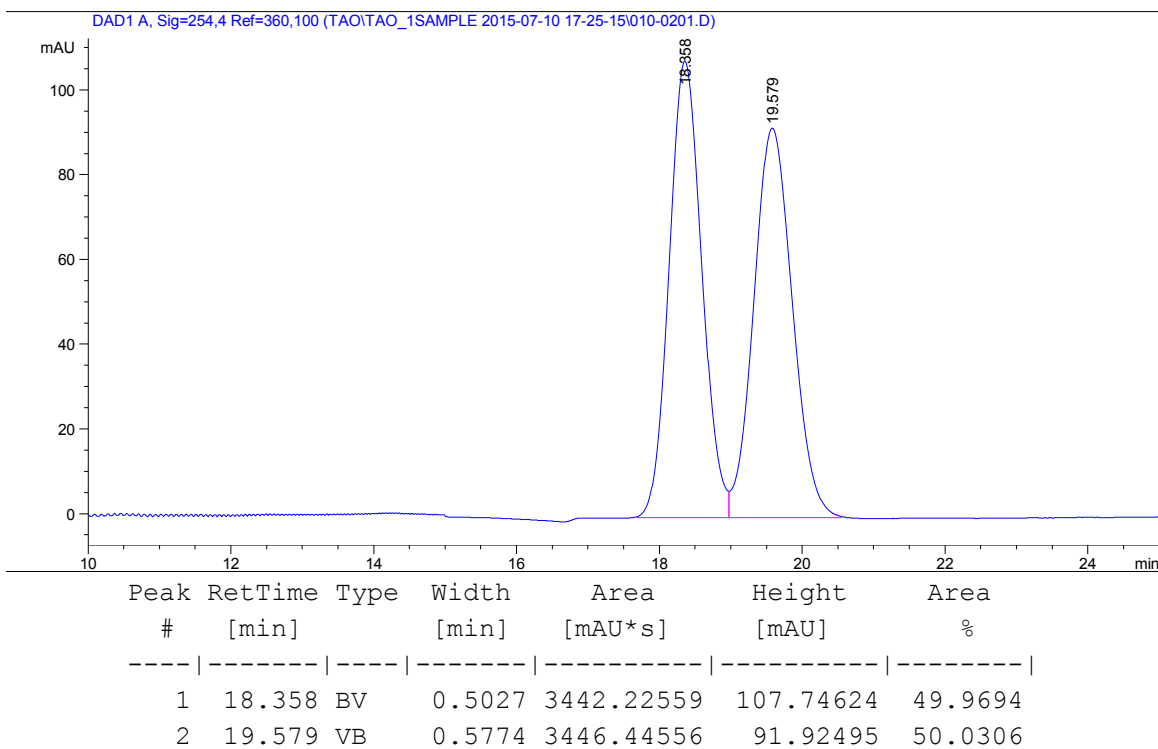
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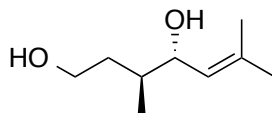
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[α]_D²⁵ = + 42.4 (*c* = 0.11, CHCl₃)





(3*S*,4*S*)-3,6-dimethylhept-5-ene-1,4-diol (3.5j).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (23.1 mg, 73%, *dr* = >20:1) as a colorless oil.

R_f = 0.3 (50% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 5.19 (dp, *J* = 9.0, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.83 – 3.71 (m, 1H), 3.69 – 3.57 (m, 1H), 2.40 (s, 2H), 1.79 – 1.65 (m, 8H), 1.62 – 1.51 (m, 1H), 0.86 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H).

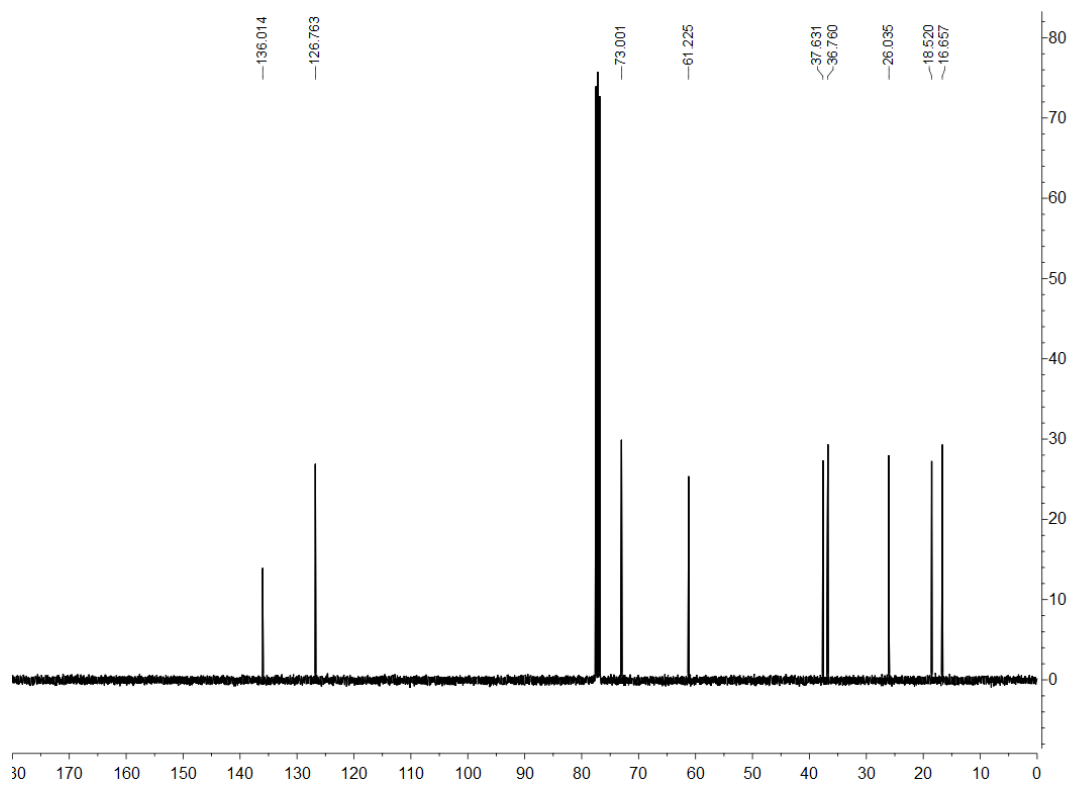
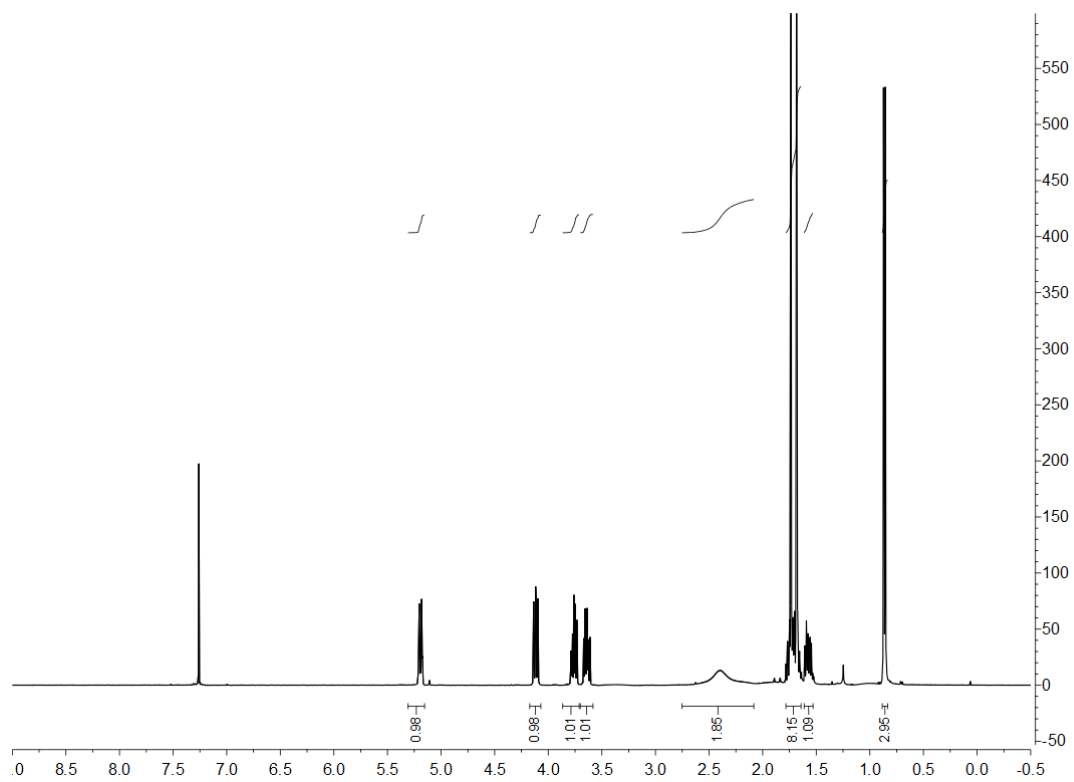
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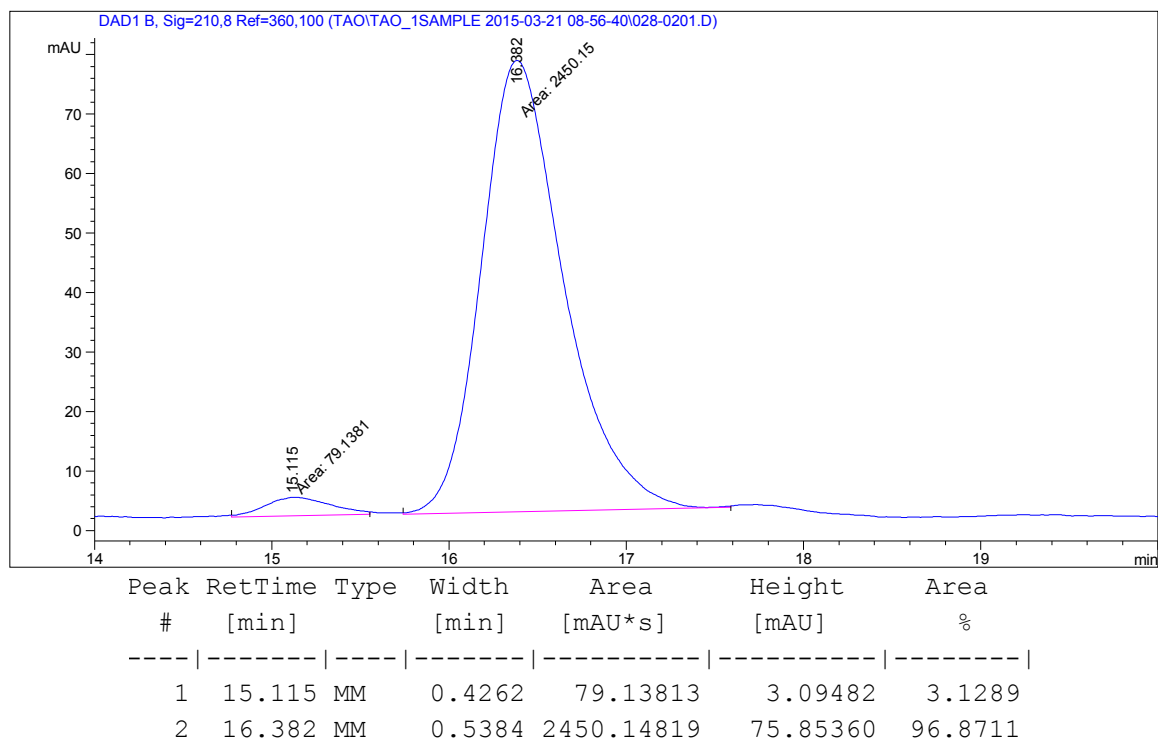
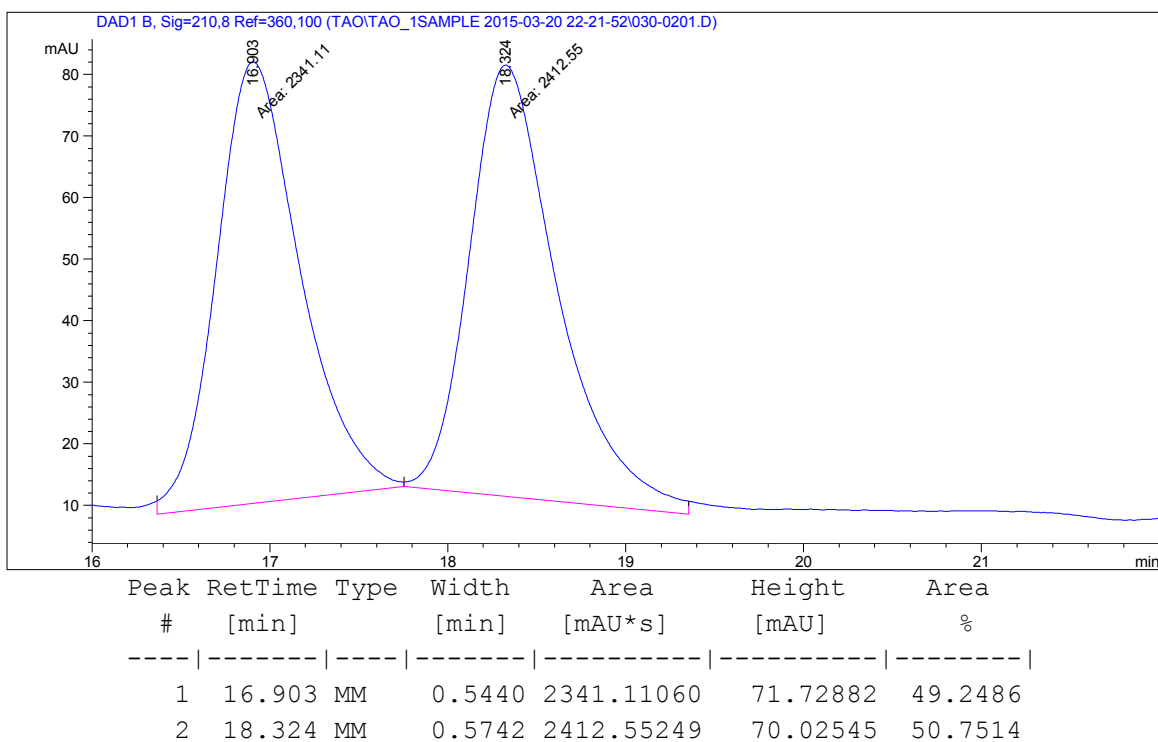
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FTIR (neat): 3016, 2970, 1739, 1366, 1229, 1217 cm⁻¹.

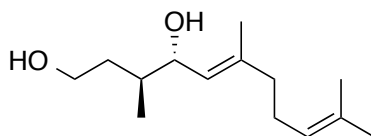
HPLC (Chiralcel AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 94%.

[α]_D²⁵ = + 3.8 (c = 0.61, CHCl₃)





(3*S*,4*S*,*E*)-3,6,10-trimethylundeca-5,9-diene-1,4-diol (3.5k).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (42.3 mg, 72%, *dr* = >20:1) as a colorless oil.

R_f = 0.3 (50% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 5.19 (dq, *J* = 9.1, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 5.10 – 5.03 (m, 1H), 4.13 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (ddd, *J* = 11.0, 6.1, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.70 – 3.60 (m, 1H), 2.14 – 2.00 (m, 4H), 1.81 – 1.69 (m, 2H), 1.68 – 1.66 (m, 6H), 1.60 (s, 3H), 1.58 – 1.54 (m, 1H), 0.86 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H).

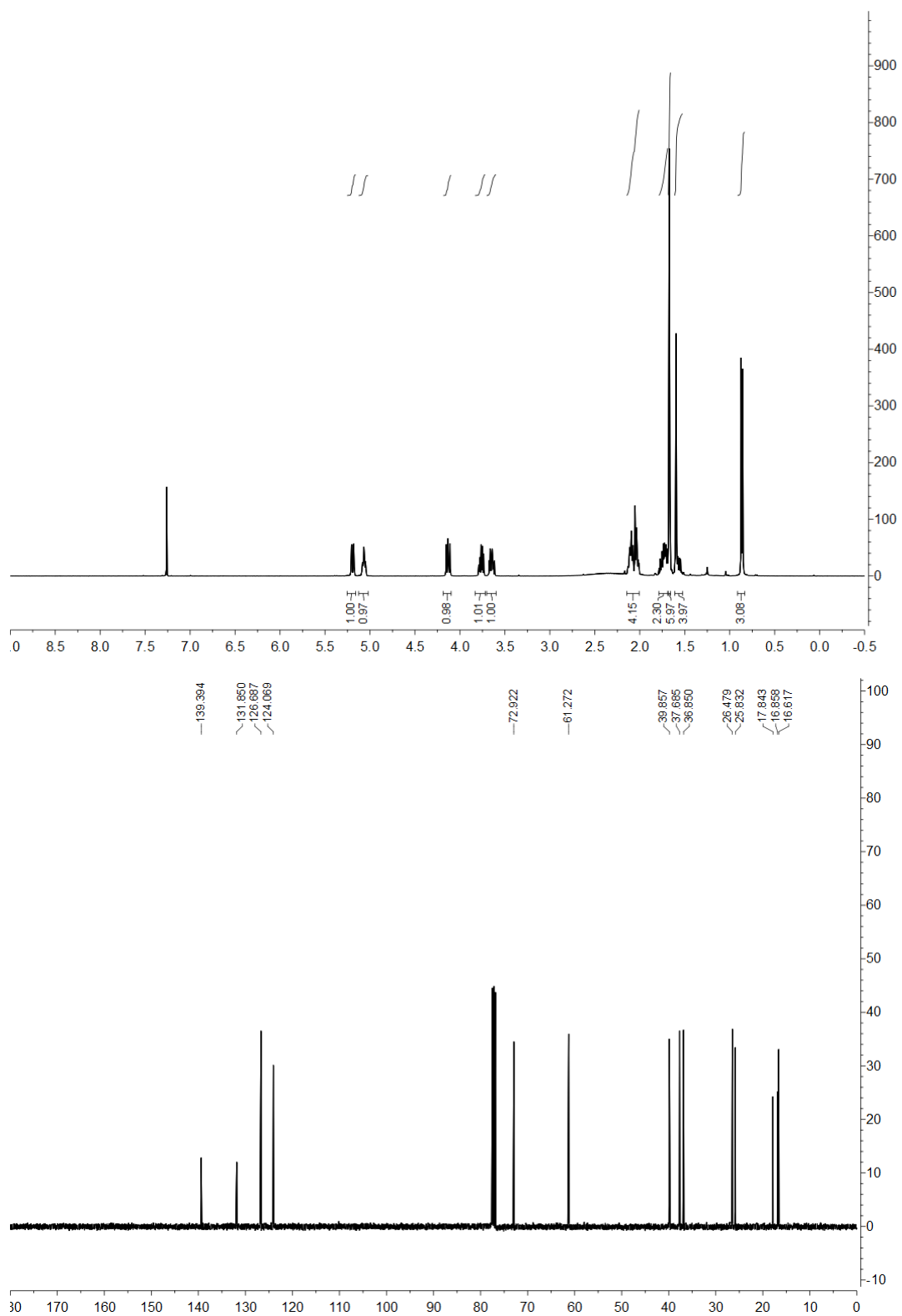
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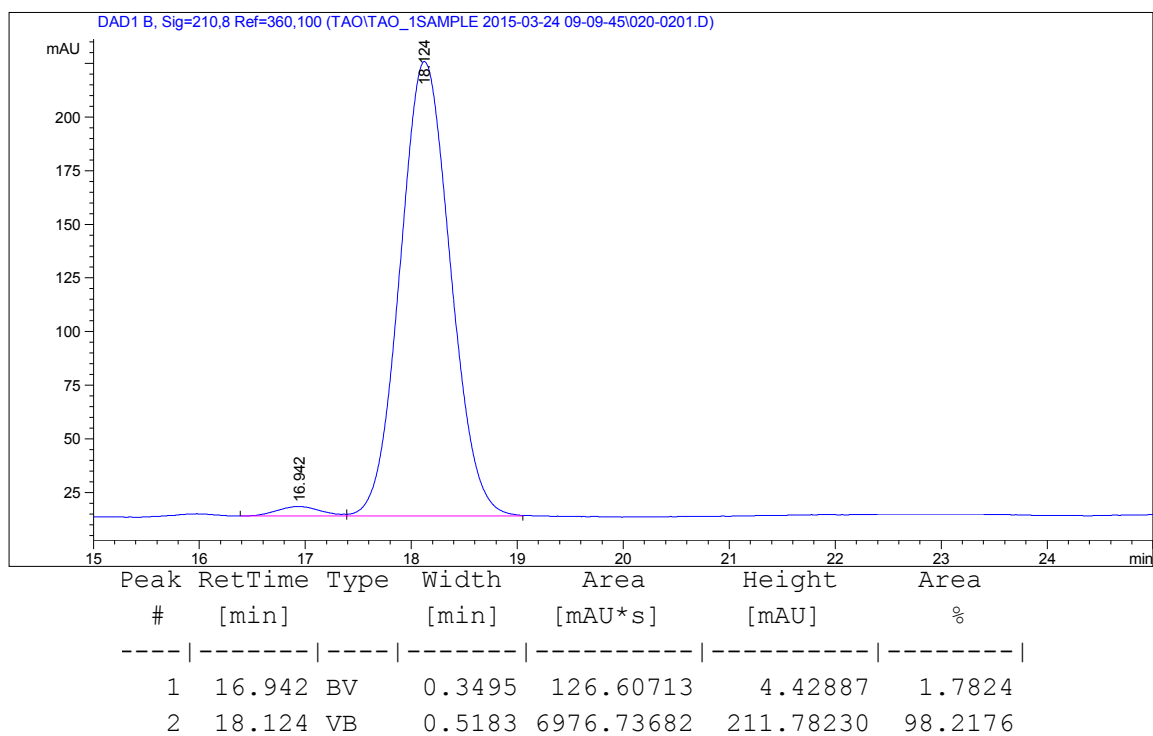
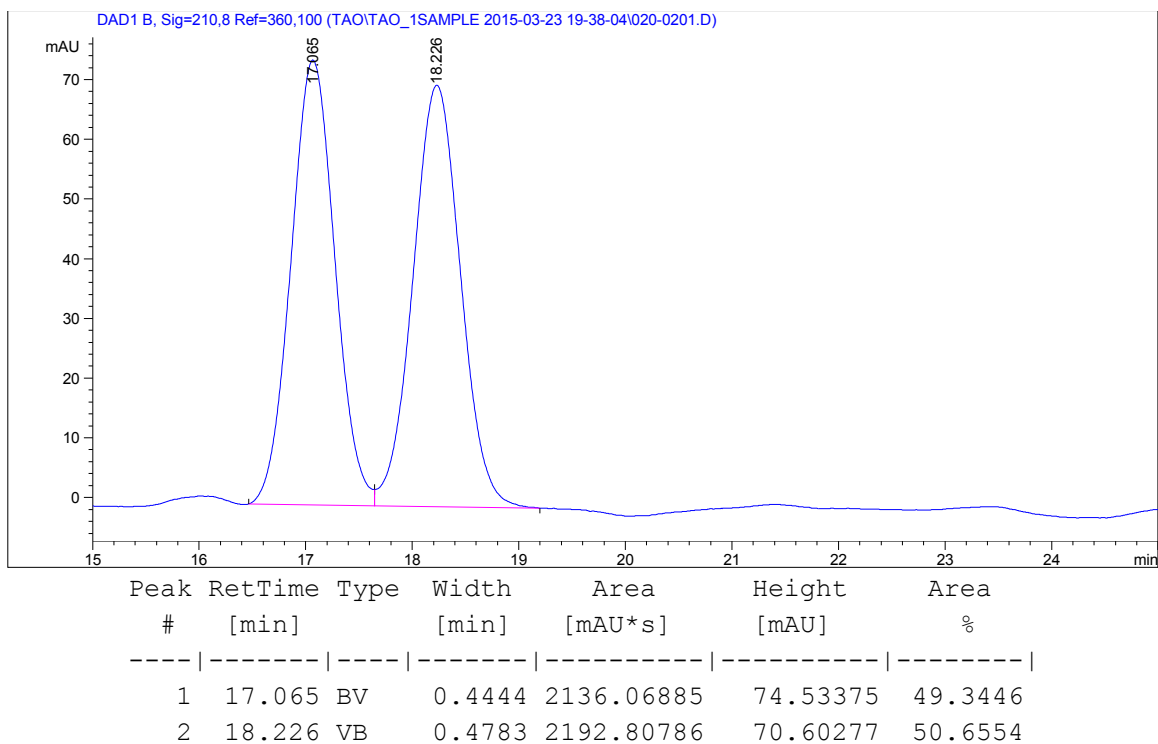
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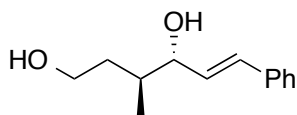
HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H column/OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 96%.

[α]_D²⁵ = - 6.8(*c* = 0.54, CHCl₃)





(3*S*,4*S*,*E*)-3-methyl-6-phenylhex-5-ene-1,4-diol (3.5l).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (29.7 mg, 72%, *dr* = >20:1) as a white solid.

R_f = 0.3 (50% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.41 – 7.20 (m, 5H), 6.57 (d, *J* = 15.9 Hz, 1H), 6.22 (dd, *J* = 15.9, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 3.83 – 3.75 (m, 1H), 3.71 – 3.63 (m, 1H), 2.59 (s, 2H), 1.91 – 1.71 (m, 2H), 1.68 – 1.55 (m, 1H), 0.97 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 136.81, 131.54, 131.15, 128.71, 127.80, 126.59, 60.87, 37.18, 36.17, 16.79.

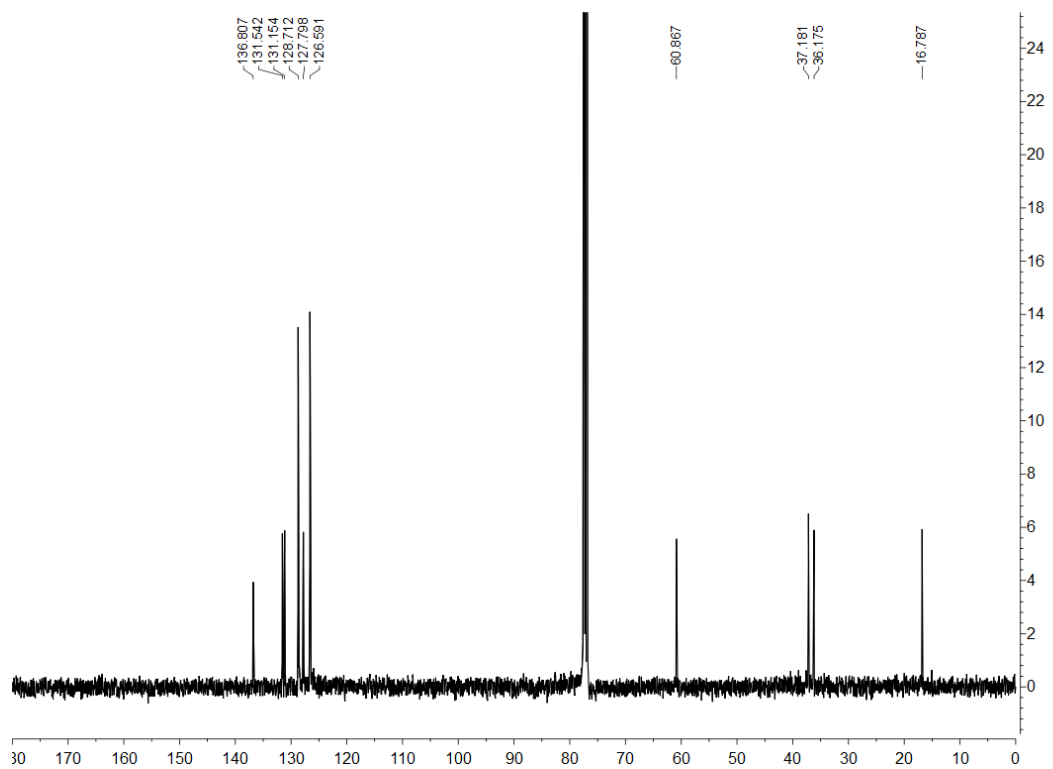
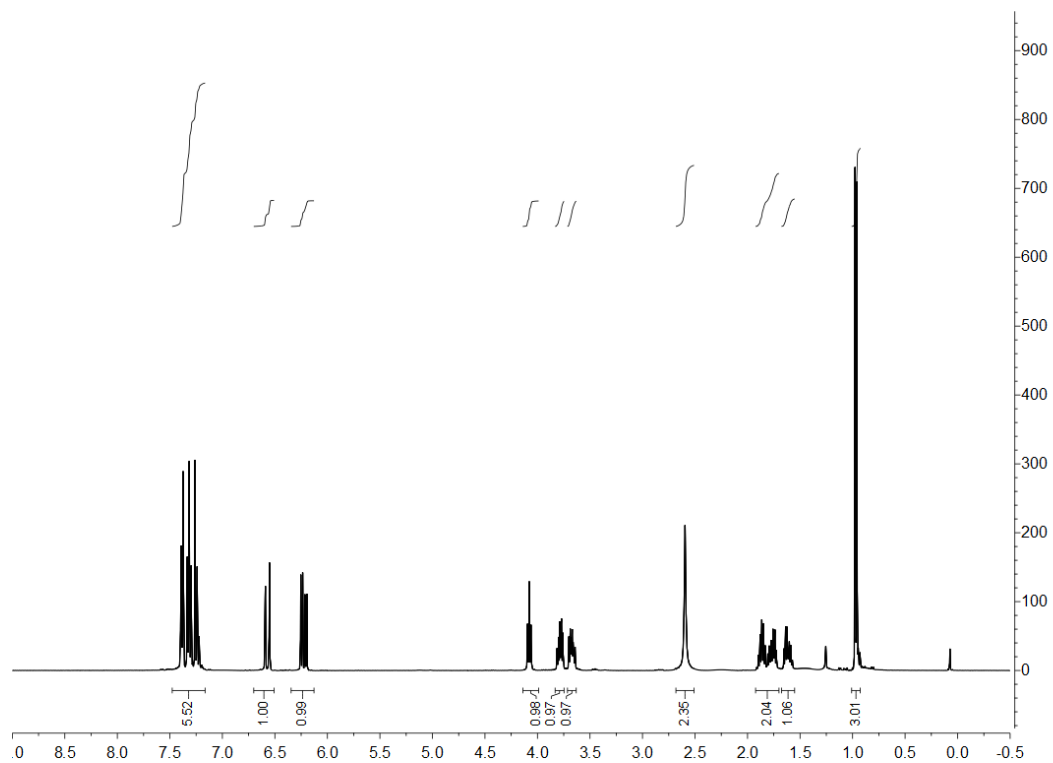
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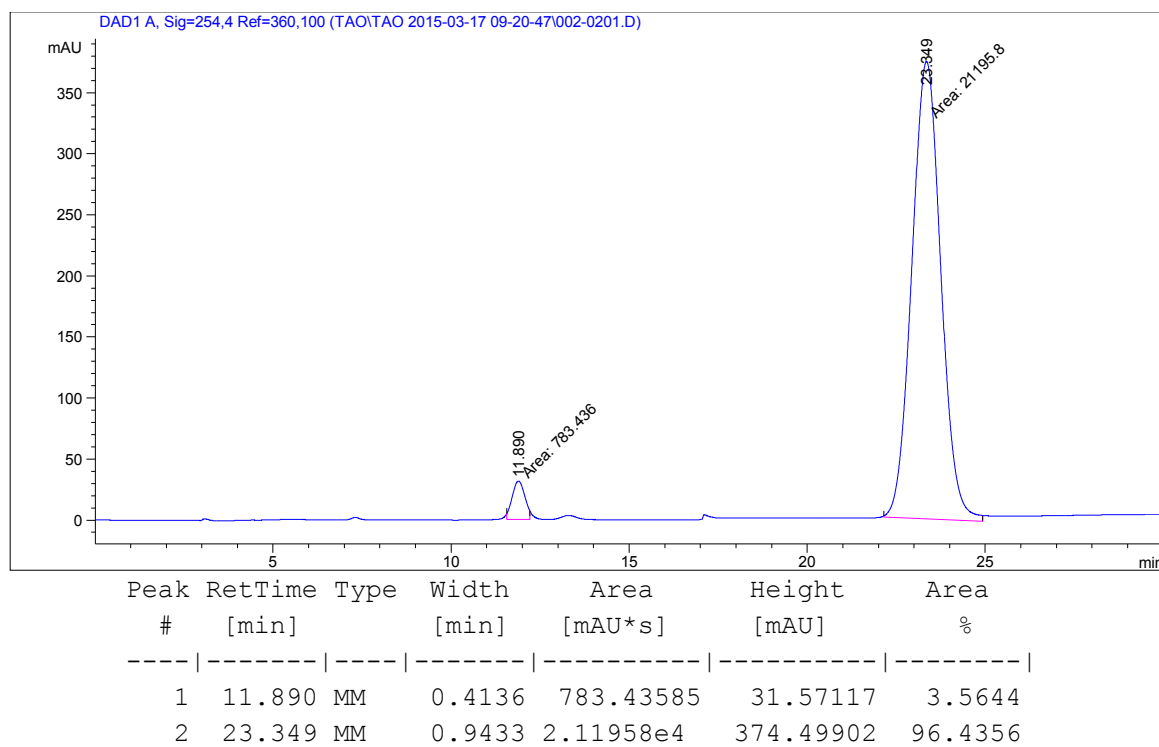
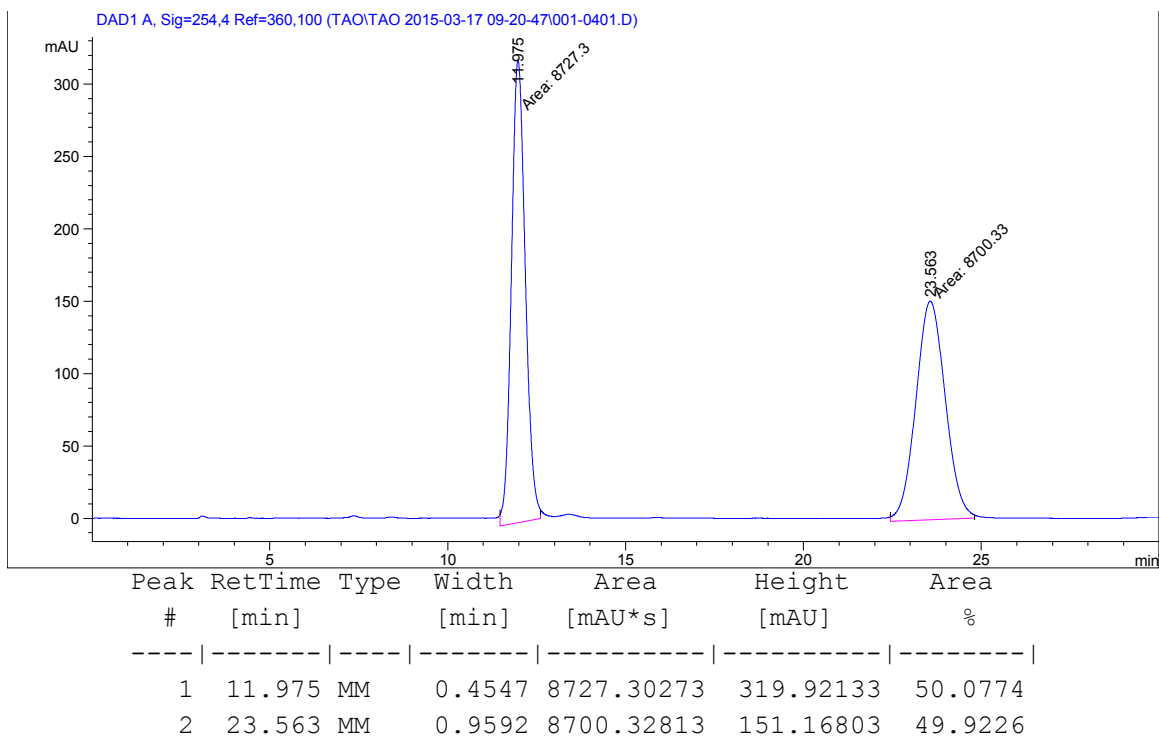
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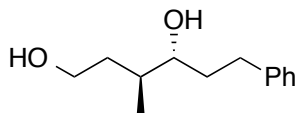
[α]_D²⁵ = + 8.2 (c = 0.65, CHCl₃)

M.P. 84.5-86 °C





(3*S*,4*R*)-3-methyl-6-phenylhexane-1,4-diol (3.5m).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (14.5 mg, 0.1 mmol scale, 70%, *dr* = >20:1) as a colorless oil.

R_f = 0.3 (50% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.31 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.24 – 7.15 (m, 3H), 3.76 (ddd, *J* = 10.6, 6.6, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.63 (ddd, *J* = 10.6, 7.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.52 – 3.40 (m, 1H), 2.85 (ddd, *J* = 13.7, 9.9, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 2.72 – 2.56 (m, 3H), 1.92 – 1.51 (m, 5H), 0.95 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

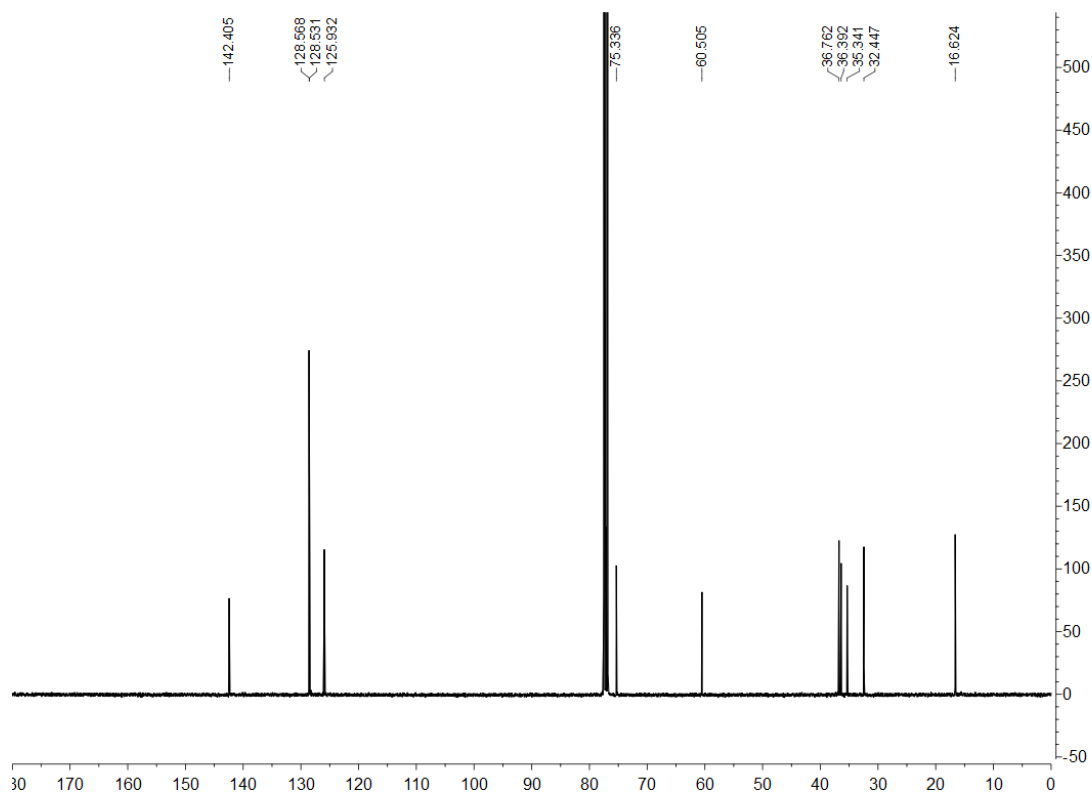
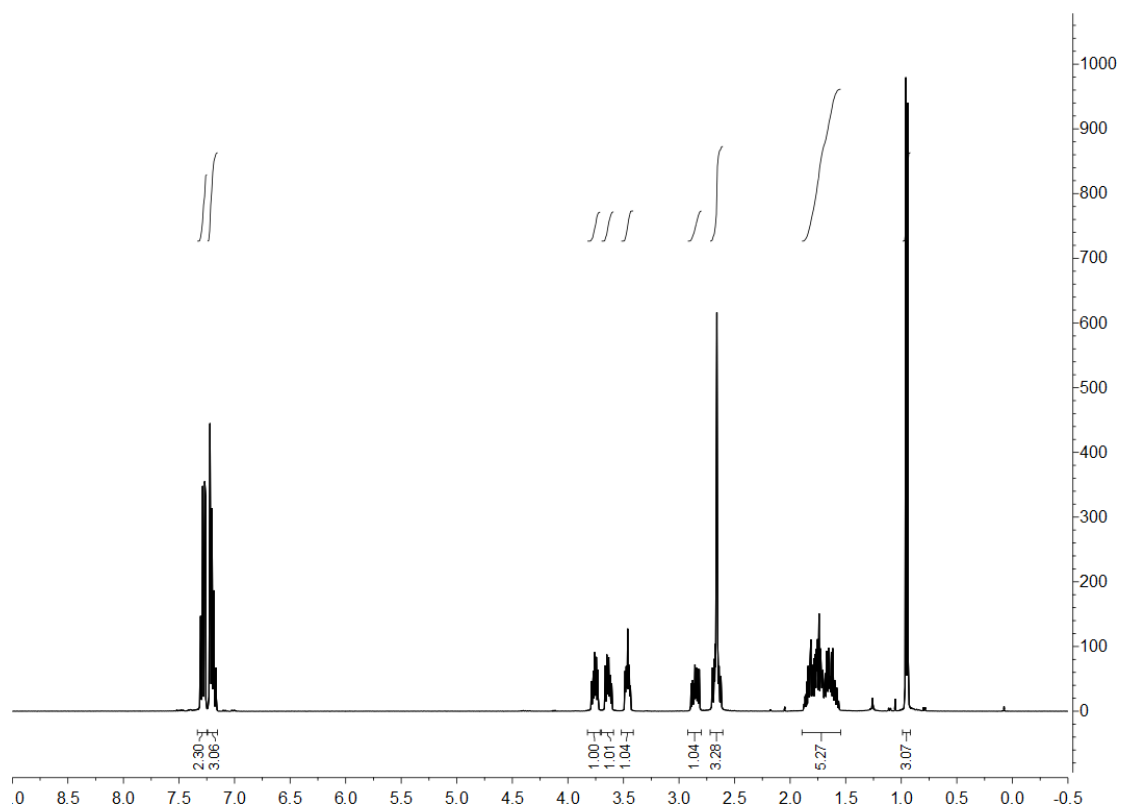
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 142.40, 128.57, 128.53, 125.93, 75.34, 60.50, 36.76, 36.39, 35.34, 32.45, 16.62.

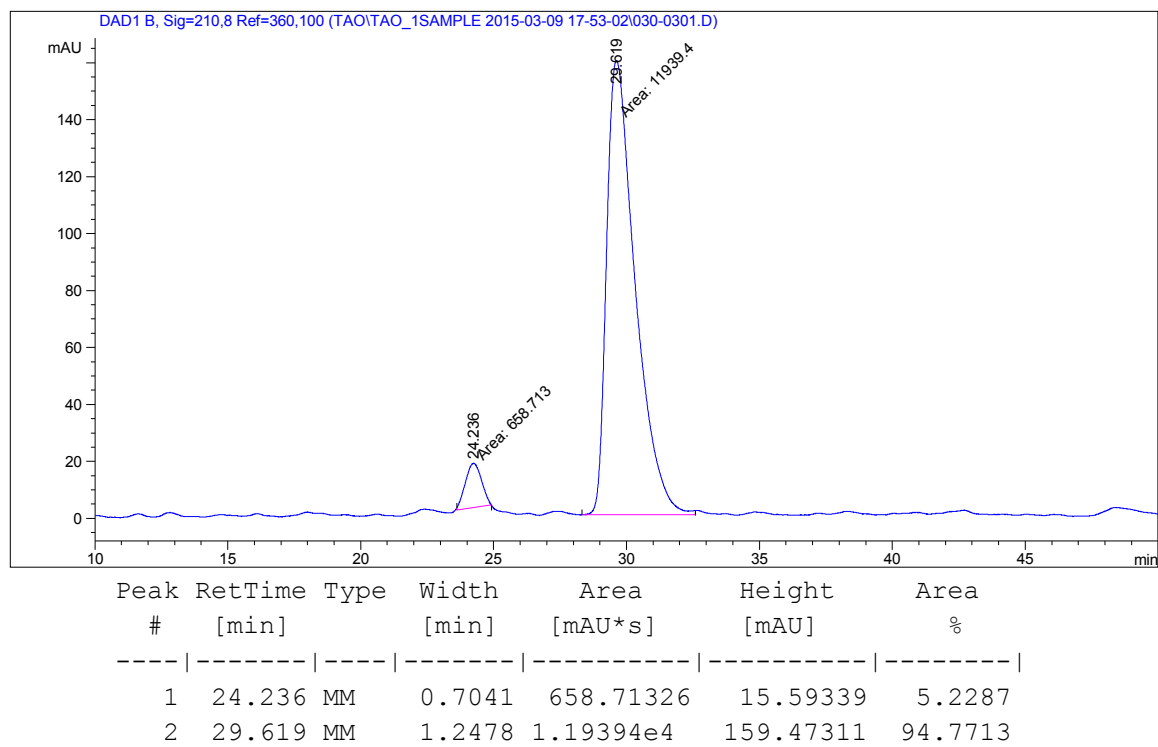
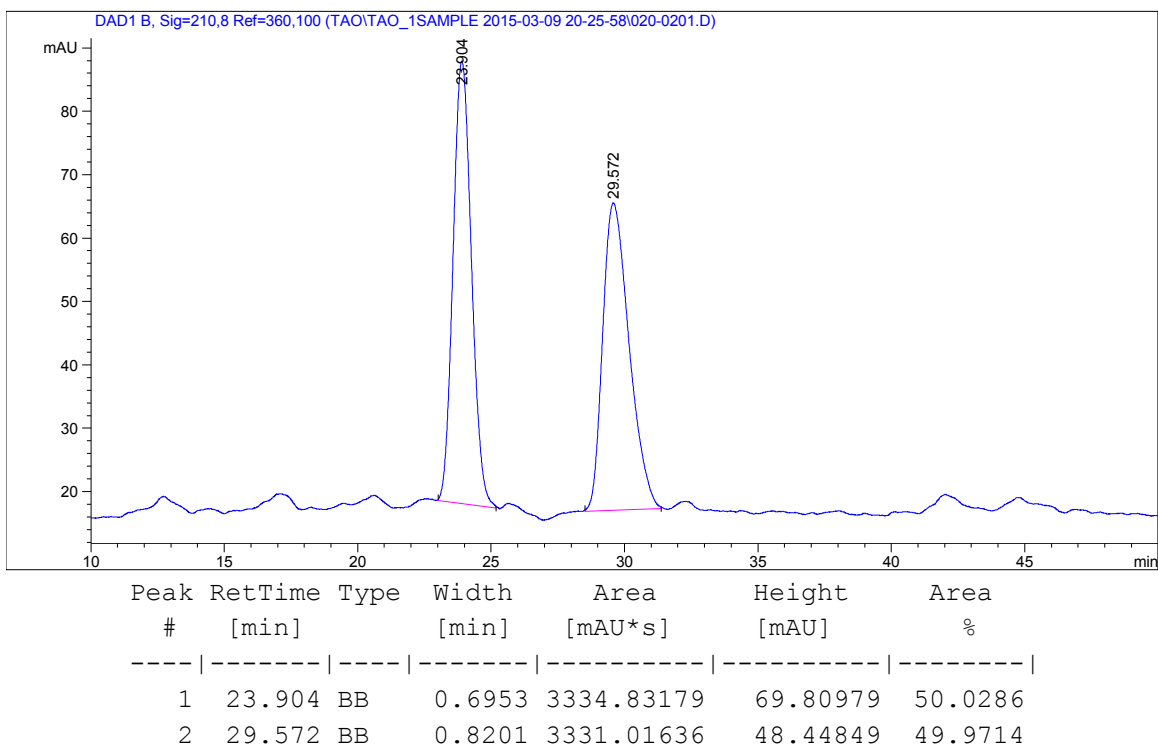
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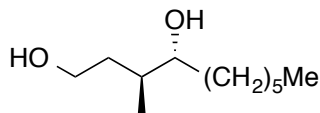
HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 90%.

[α]_D²⁵ = + 17.8 (c = 0.73, CHCl₃)





(3*S*,4*R*)-3-methyldecane-1,4-diol (3.5n).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (30.5 mg, 81%, *dr* = >20:1) as a colorless oil.

R_f = 0.3 (50% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 3.75 (ddd, *J* = 11.3, 6.7, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 3.62 (ddd, *J* = 10.7, 7.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.44 – 3.35 (m, 1H), 2.73 (s, 2H), 1.75 – 1.17 (m, 14H), 0.93 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H), 0.90 – 0.85 (m, 3H).

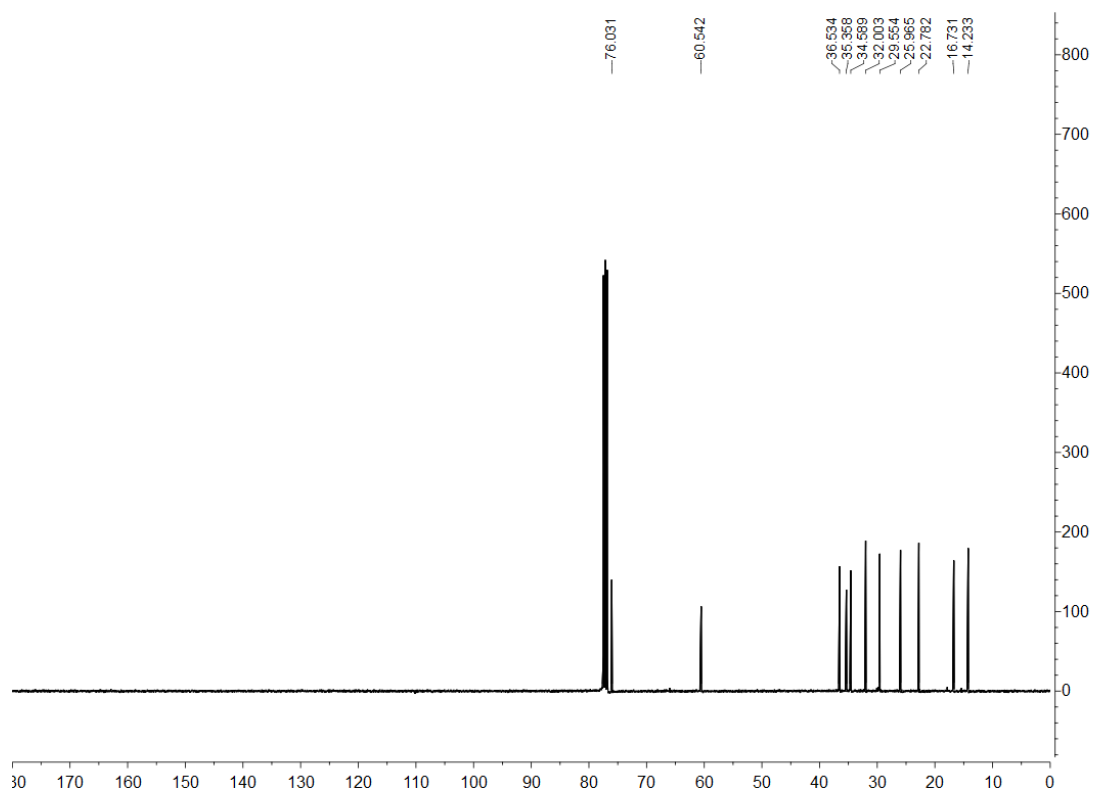
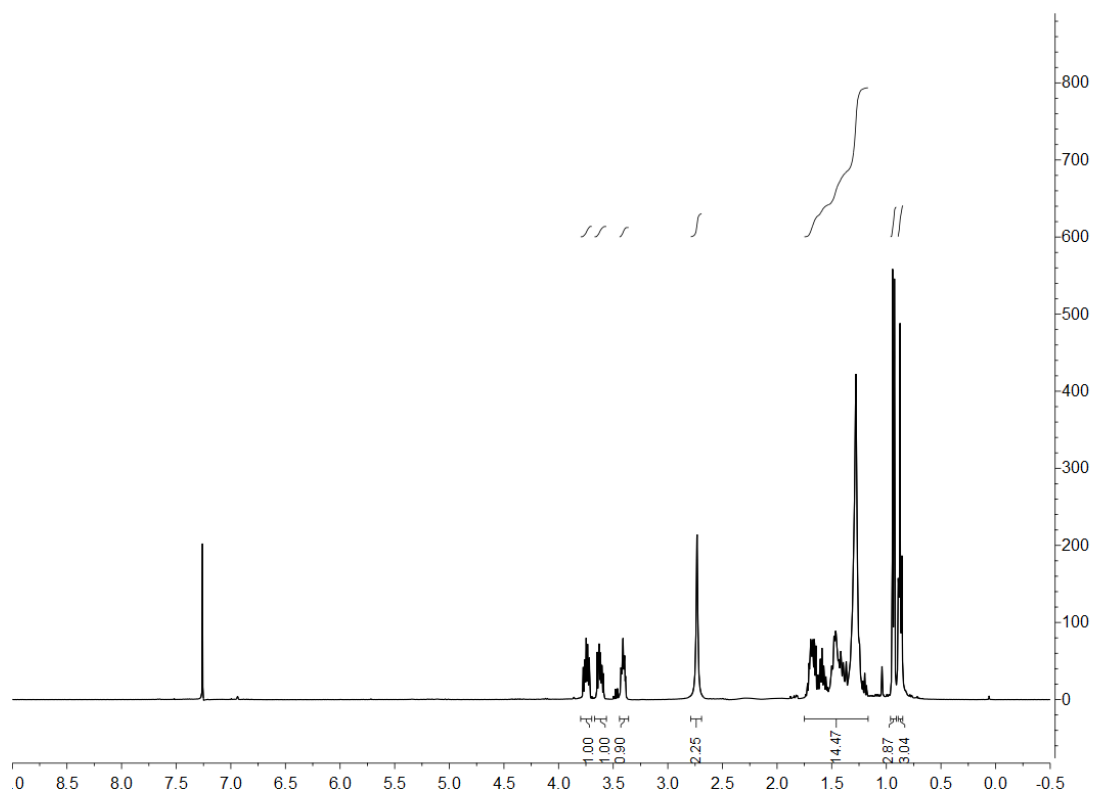
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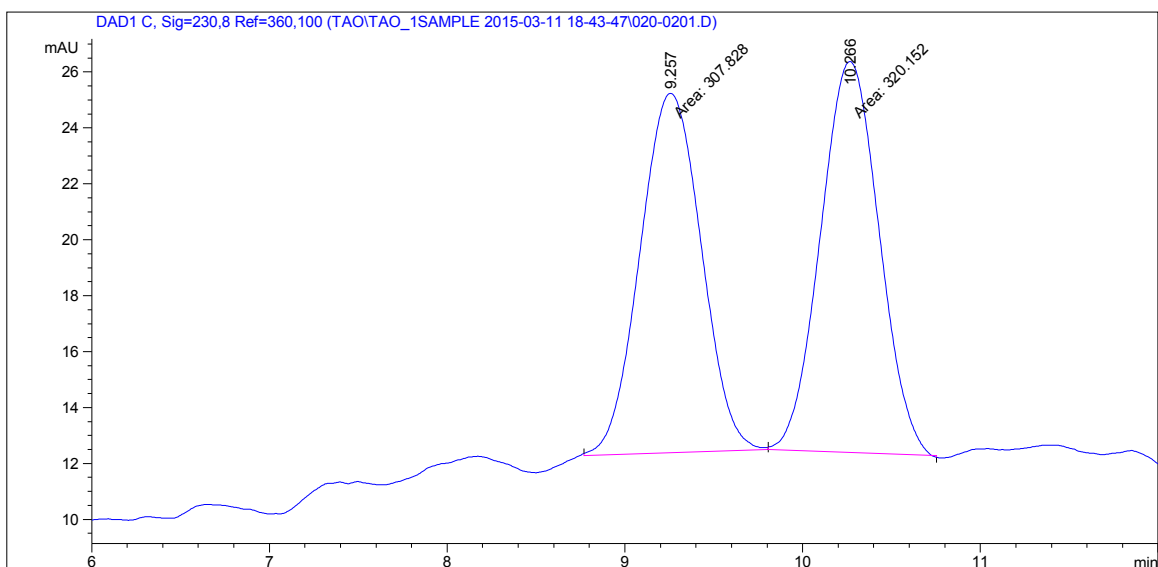
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FTIR (neat): 2970, 2928, 1739, 1456, 1366, 1229, 1217 cm⁻¹.

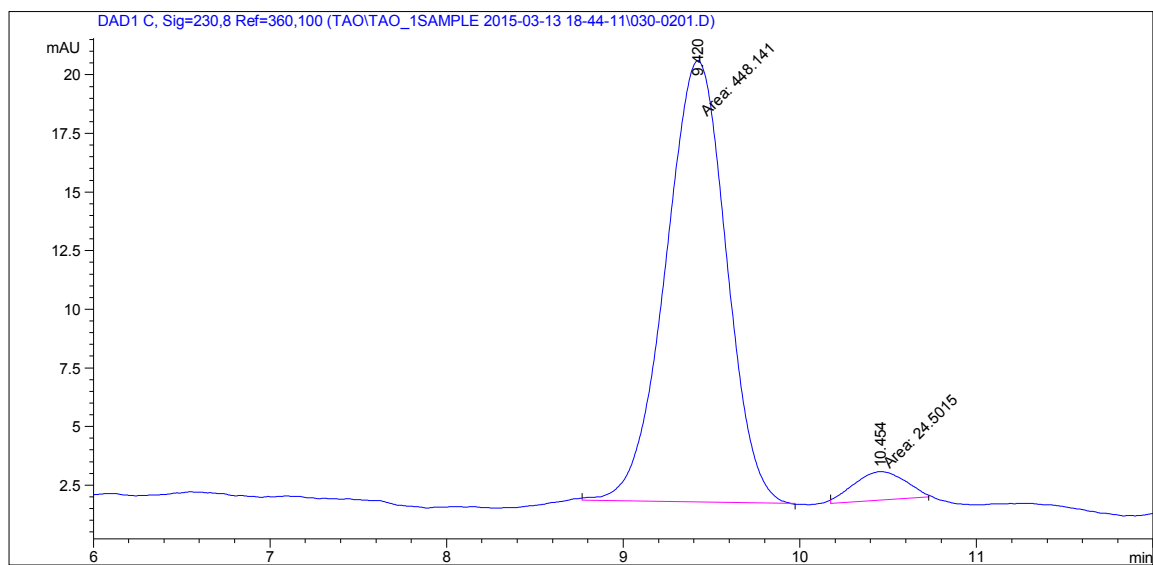
HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, 1 mL/min, 230 nm), ee = 90%.

[α]_D²⁵ = -2.1 (c = 0.62, CHCl₃)



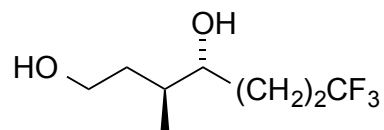


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(3*S*,4*R*)-7,7,7-trifluoro-3-methylheptane-1,4-diol (3.5o).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (26.8 mg, 67%, *dr* = >20:1) as a colorless oil.

R_f = 0.3 (50% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 3.86 – 3.75 (m, 1H), 3.73 – 3.63 (m, 1H), 3.43 (ddd, *J* = 9.3, 6.1, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.54 (s, 2H), 2.47 – 2.27 (m, 1H), 2.25 – 2.03 (m, 1H), 1.84 – 1.55 (m, 5H), 0.97 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 74.47, 60.40, 37.10, 35.29, 31.12, 30.83, 30.55, 30.26, 27.02, 26.99, 16.60.

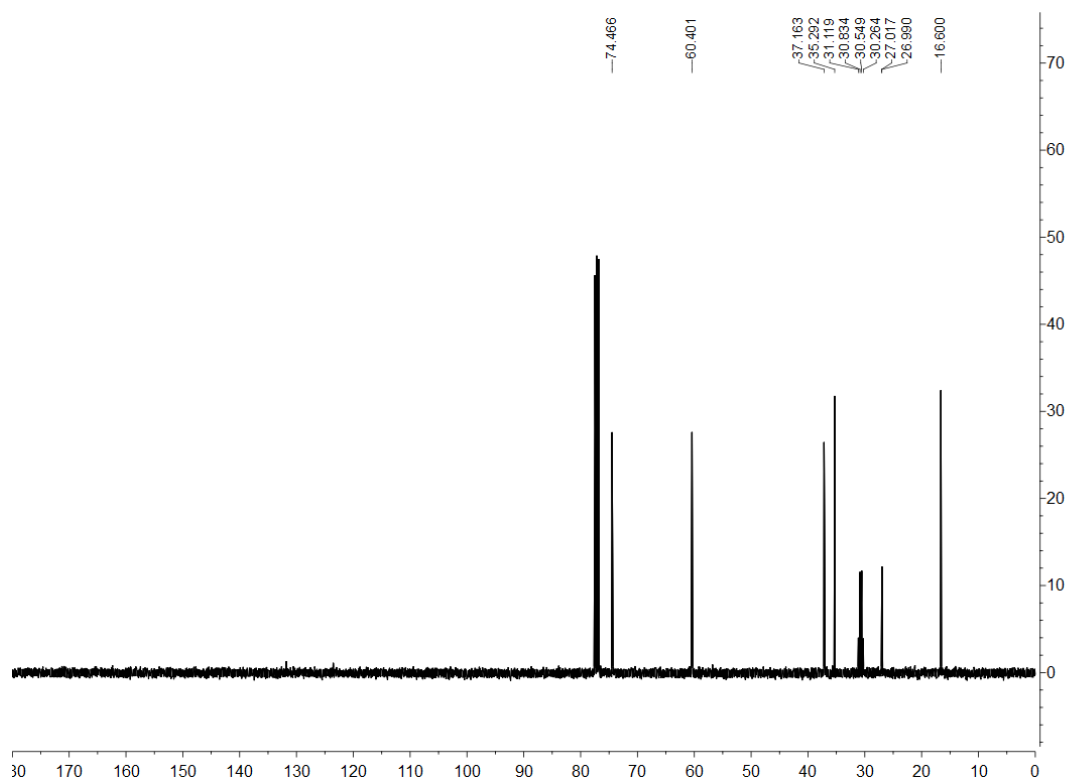
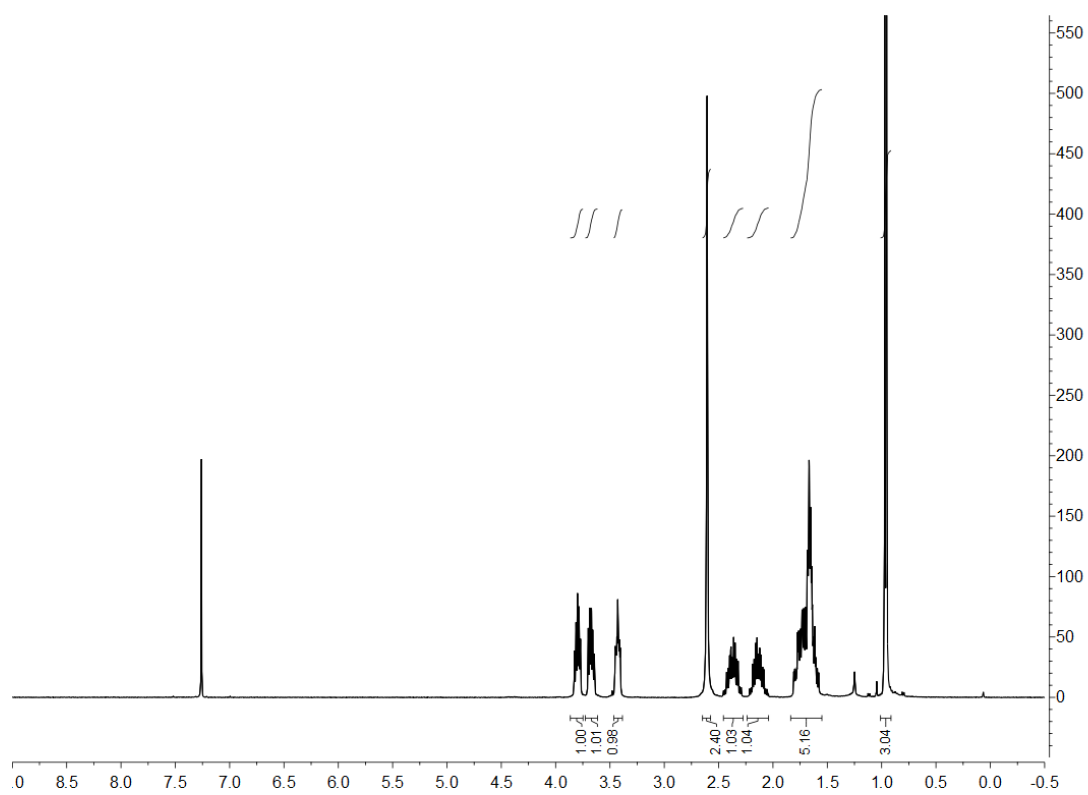
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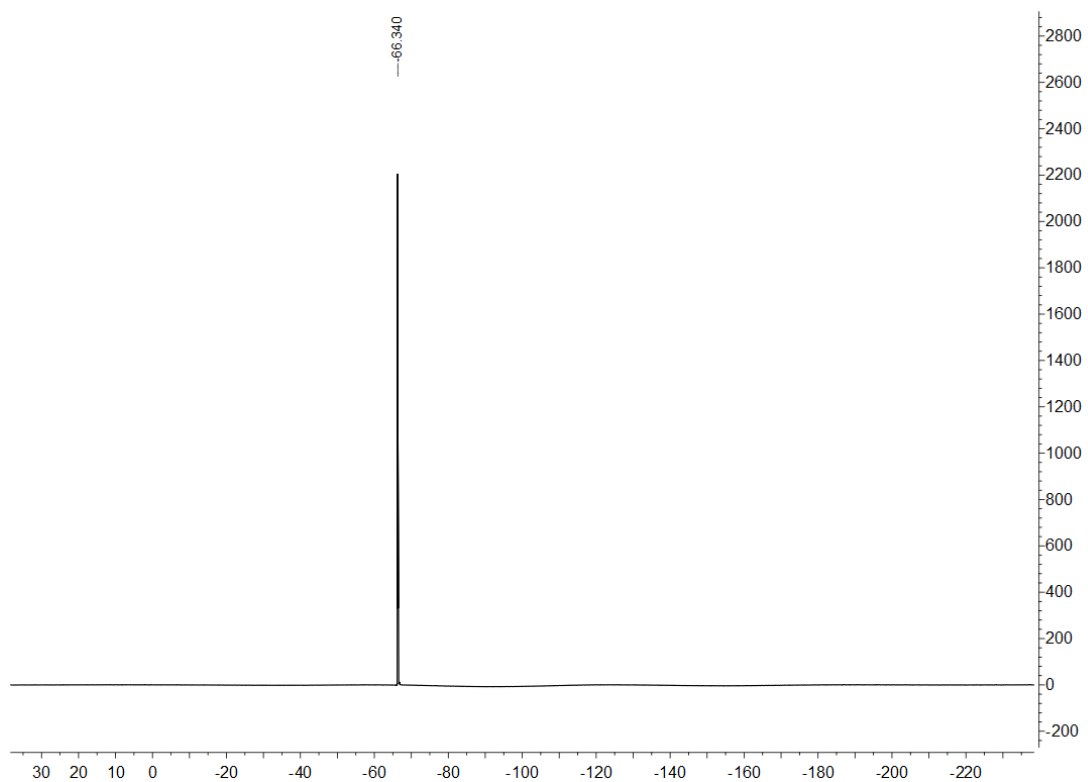
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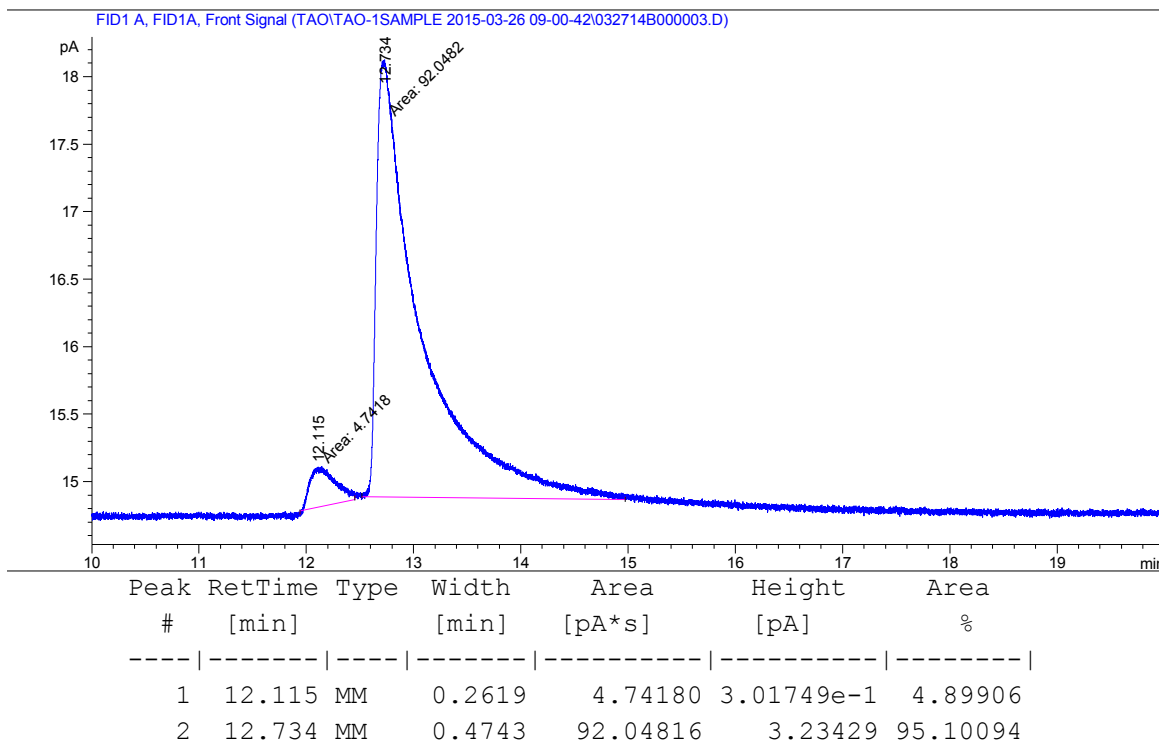
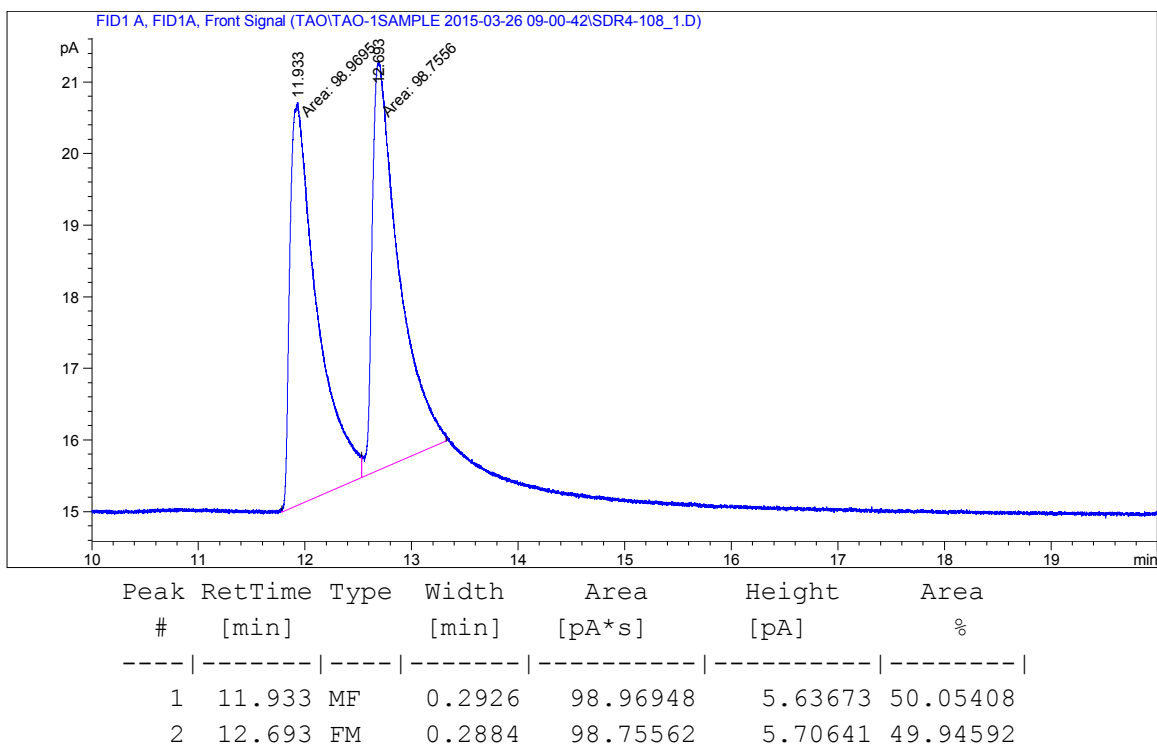
FTIR (neat): 2970, 1739, 1366, 1252, 1229, 1217, 1138, 1031 cm⁻¹.

GC (cyclosil-B: Initial temperature: 110 °C, rate: 1 °C /min, End temperature: 150 °C), ee = 90%.

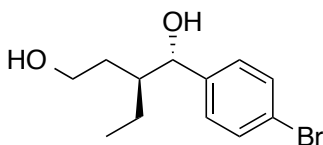
[α]_D²⁵ = -4.7 (*c* = 0.63, CHCl₃)







(1*S*,2*S*)-1-(4-bromophenyl)-2-ethylbutane-1,4-diol (3.5p).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (34.3 mg, 63%, *dr* = >20:1) as a white solid.

R_f = 0.3 (50% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.46 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 4.54 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.74 (ddd, *J* = 10.6, 6.8, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 3.58 (ddd, *J* = 10.6, 6.8, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 3.35 (s, 1H), 1.78 – 1.60 (m, 3H), 1.40 – 1.14 (m, 3H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 143.08, 131.35, 128.20, 121.01, 76.00, 60.69, 45.26, 31.68, 23.66, 11.43.

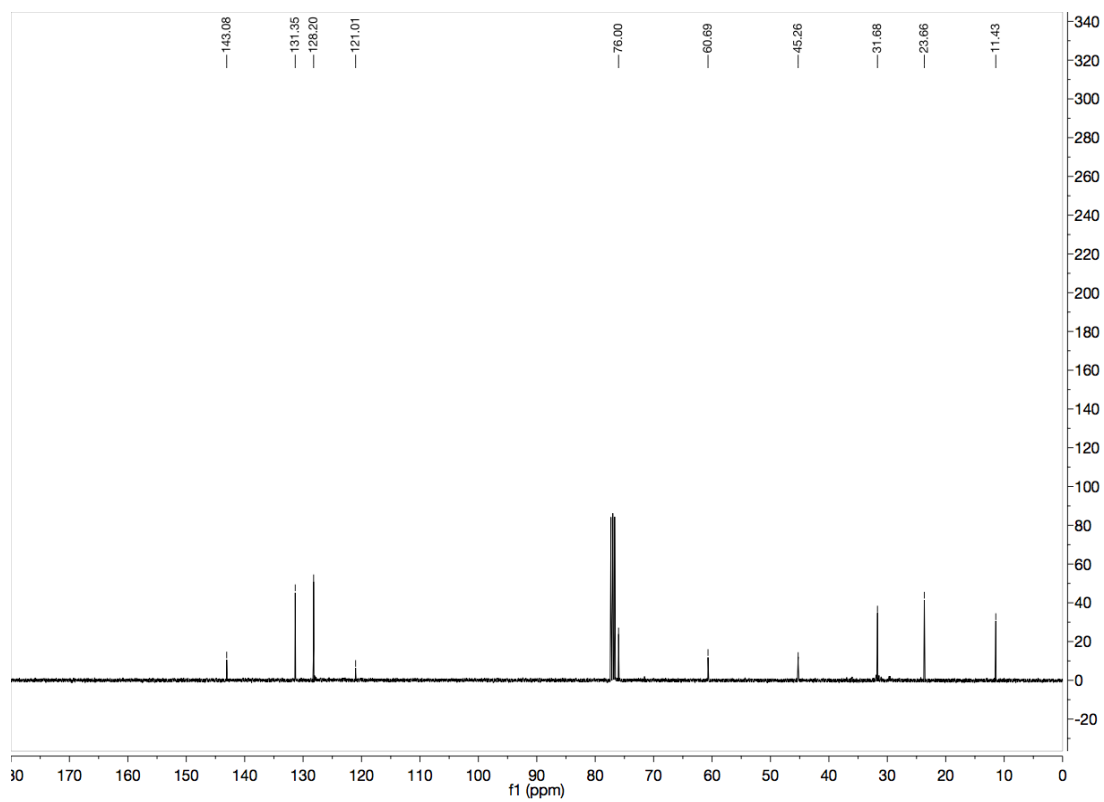
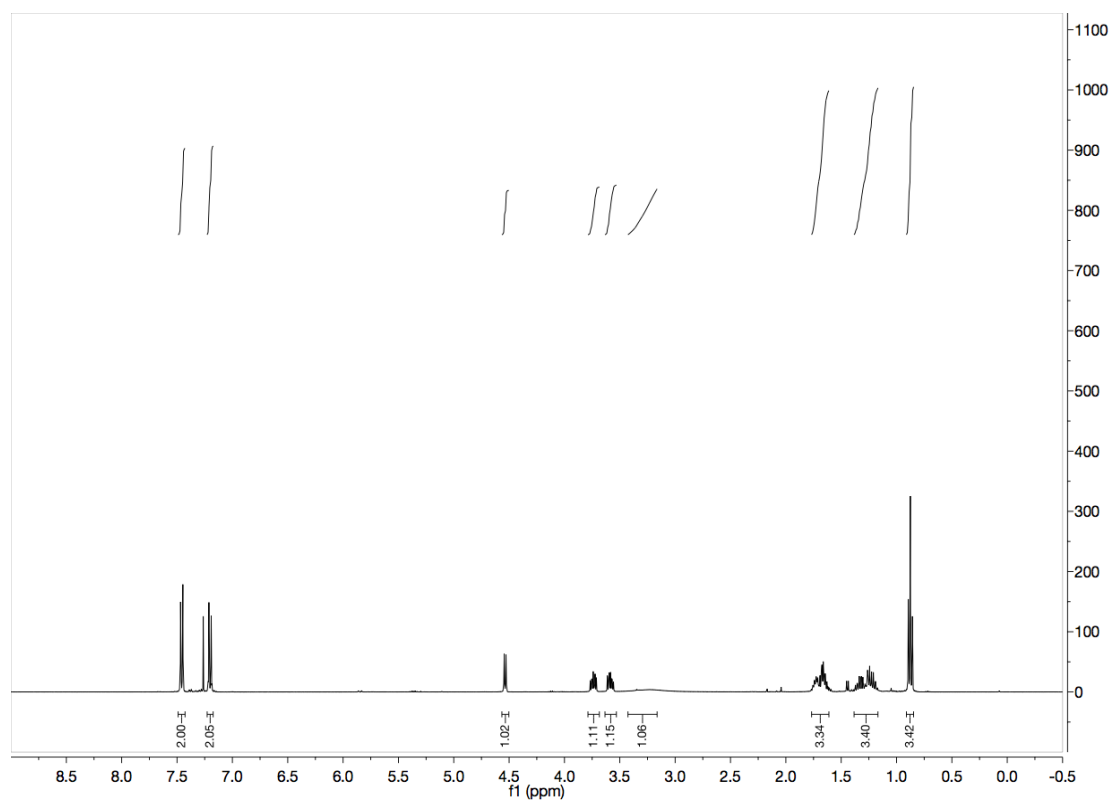
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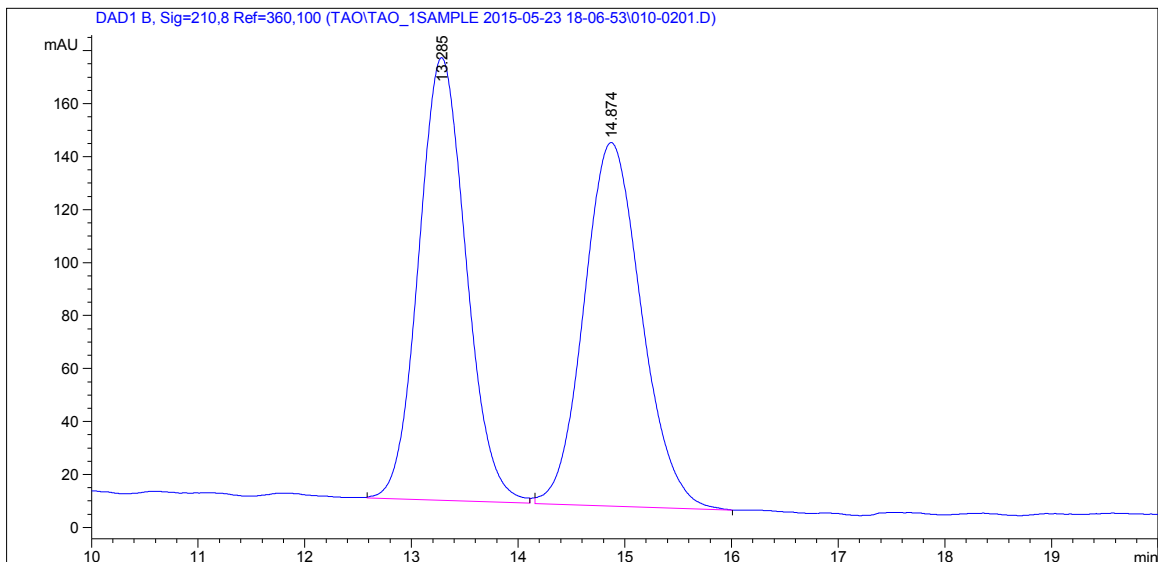
FTIR (neat): 3299, 2886, 1070, 1057, 1008, 838, 686, 669 cm⁻¹.

HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, 1 mL/min, 230 nm), ee = 96%.

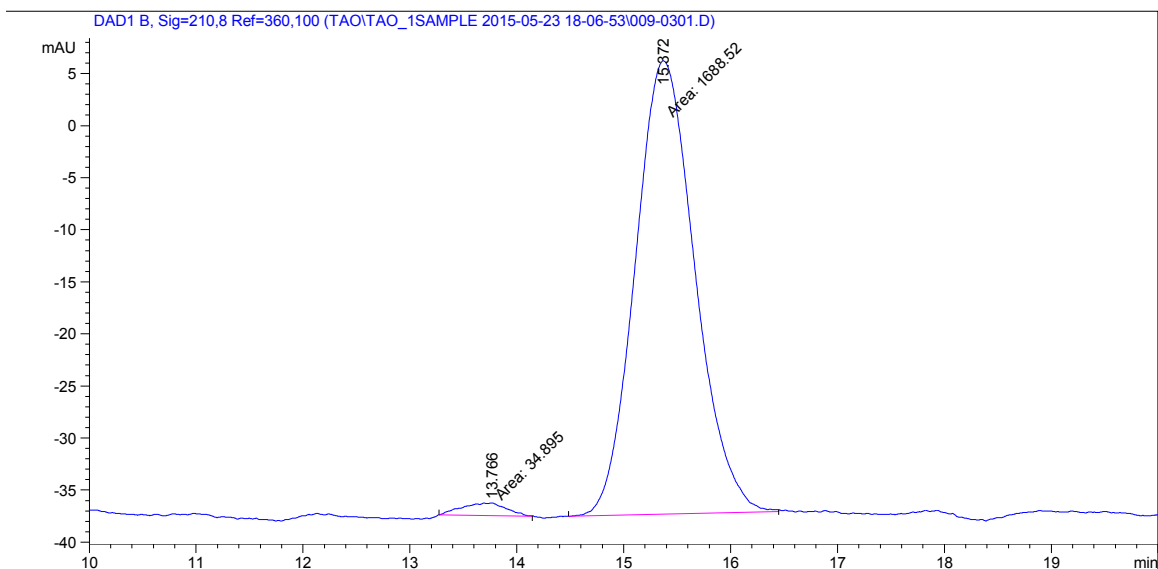
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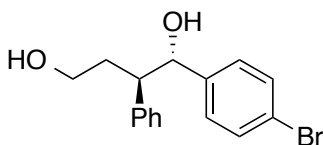


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1	13.766	MM	0.4741	34.89495	1.22664	2.0248
2	15.372	MM	0.6464	1688.51941	43.53523	97.9752

(1*S*,2*R*)-1-(4-bromophenyl)-2-phenylbutane-1,4-diol (3.5q).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (41 mg, 64%, *dr* = >20:1).

R_f = 0.3 (50% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, Methanol-*d*₄) δ 7.22 – 7.14 (m, 2H), 7.09 – 7.02 (m, 2H), 7.01 – 6.96 (m, 1H), 6.95 – 6.89 (m, 4H), 4.58 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 3.30 (ddd, *J* = 10.6, 8.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.26 – 3.15 (m, 3H), 2.87 (ddd, *J* = 11.5, 8.1, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 2.33 – 2.17 (m, 1H), 1.93 – 1.75 (m, 1H).

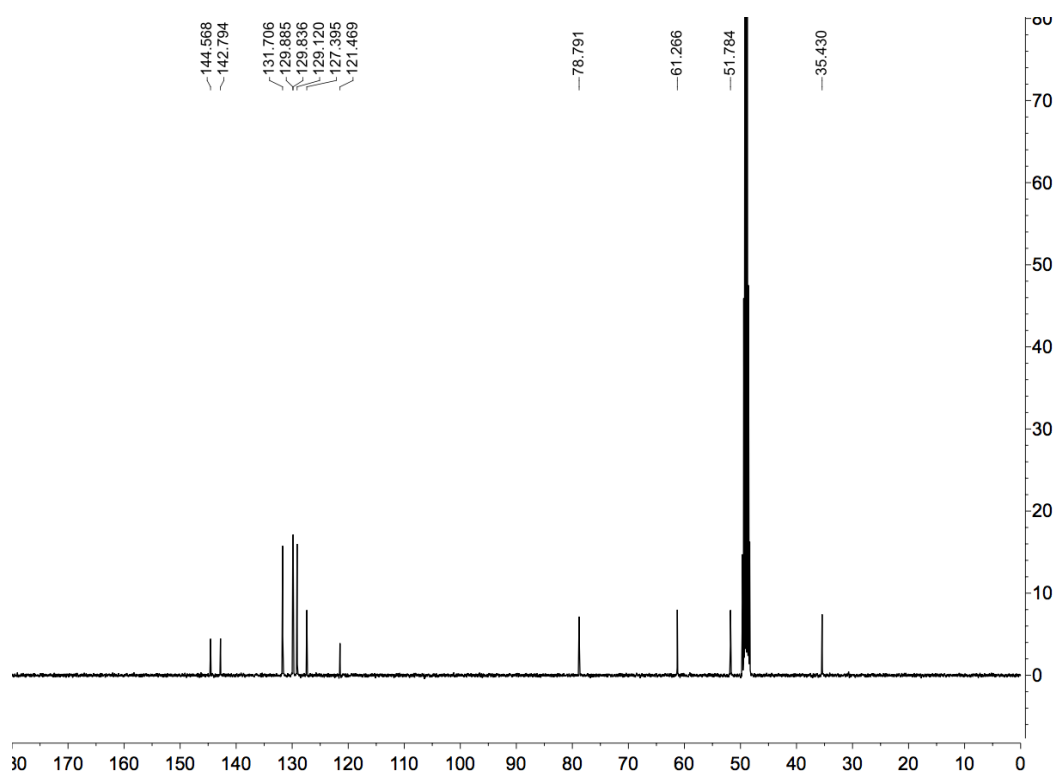
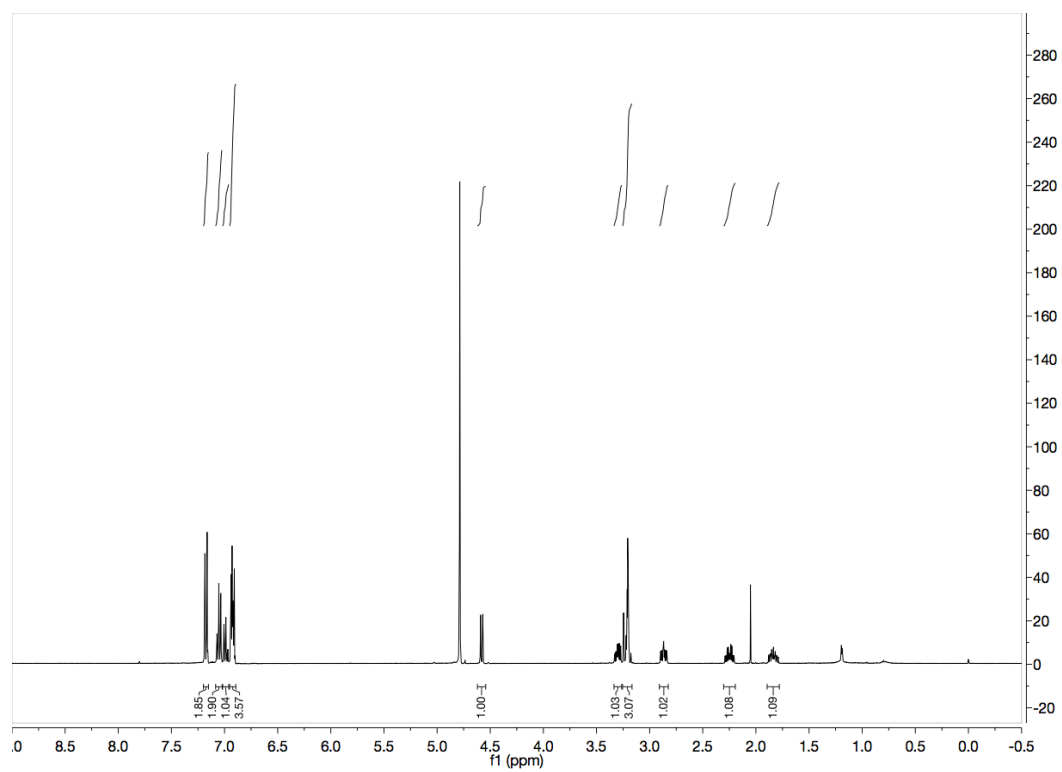
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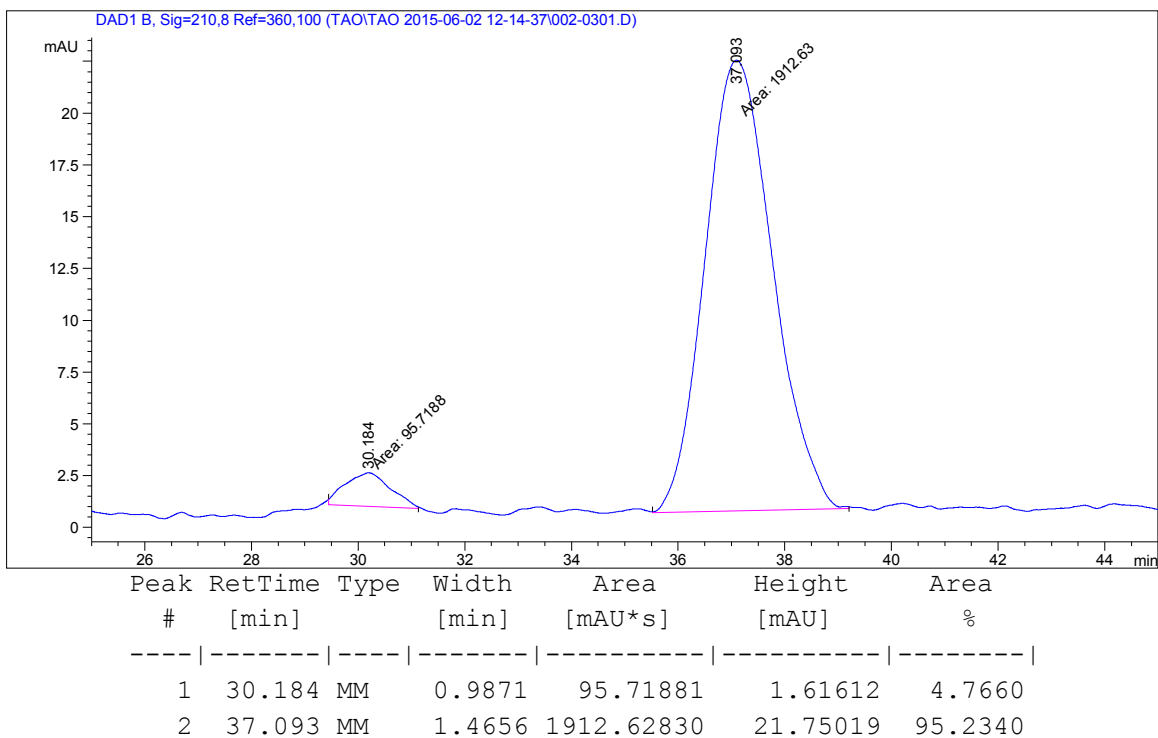
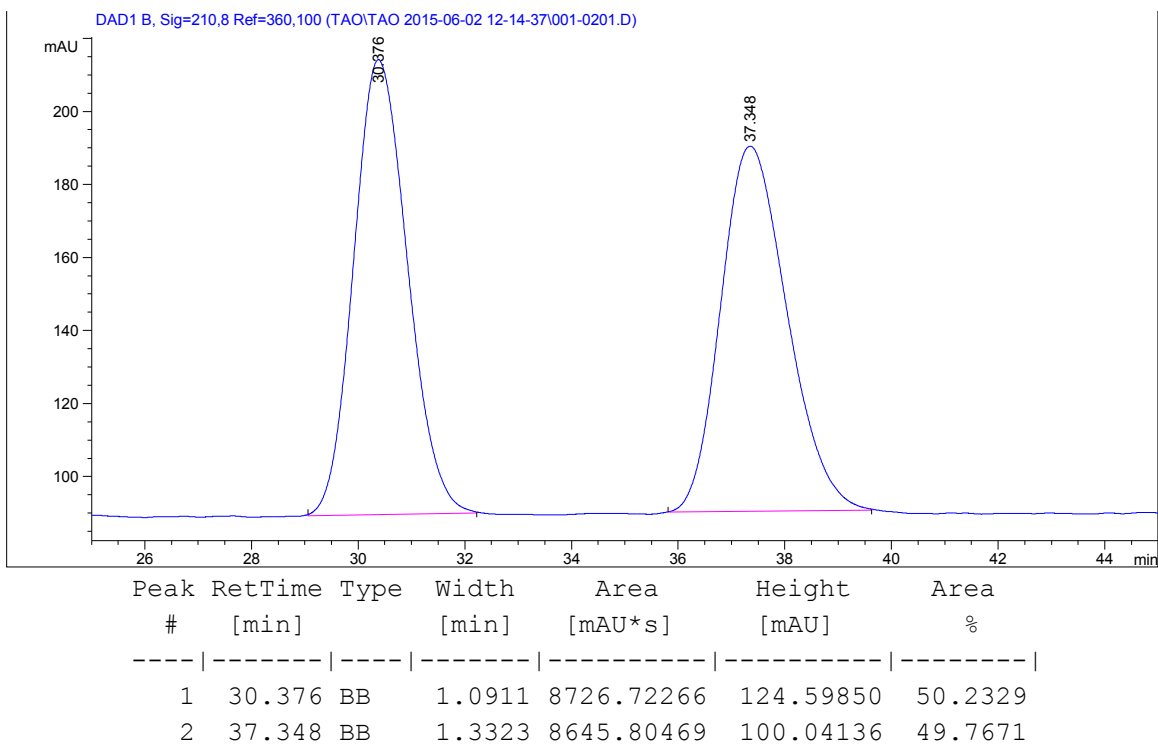
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FTIR (neat): 2362, 1486, 1070, 1037, 1008, 818, 756, 700 cm⁻¹.

HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 90%.

[α]_D²⁵ = -1.3 (c = 1.0, Methanol)

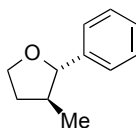




General Procedure for Conversion of Alcohols 3.5a, 3.5c, 3.5e, 3.5f, 3.5k and 3.5m to *trans*-2,3-disubstituted furans 3.6a, 3.6c, 3.6e, 3.6f, 3.6k and 3.6m

To a solution of alcohol in pyridine (0.4 M) at 0 °C was added TsCl (1.5 eq) in one portion. The mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 5 hours and was allowed to warm to room temperature overnight. Once TLC indicated no alcohol left, pyridine was removed by vacuo and the residue was subjected to flash column chromatography (Alumina, basic, 60-325 Mesh, eluent Hexanes:EA = 20:1) to afford the corresponding disubstituted furan products.

(2*S*,3*S*)-3-methyl-2-phenyltetrahydrofuran (3.6a).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (81%, *dr* = >20:1) as a colorless liquid.

R_f = 0.7 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36 – 7.21 (m, 5H), 4.28 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 4.10 (td, *J* = 8.3, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (td, *J* = 8.4, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 2.27 – 2.15 (m, 1H), 2.15 – 1.99 (m, 1H), 1.71 (dq, *J* = 12.0, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 1.08 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H).

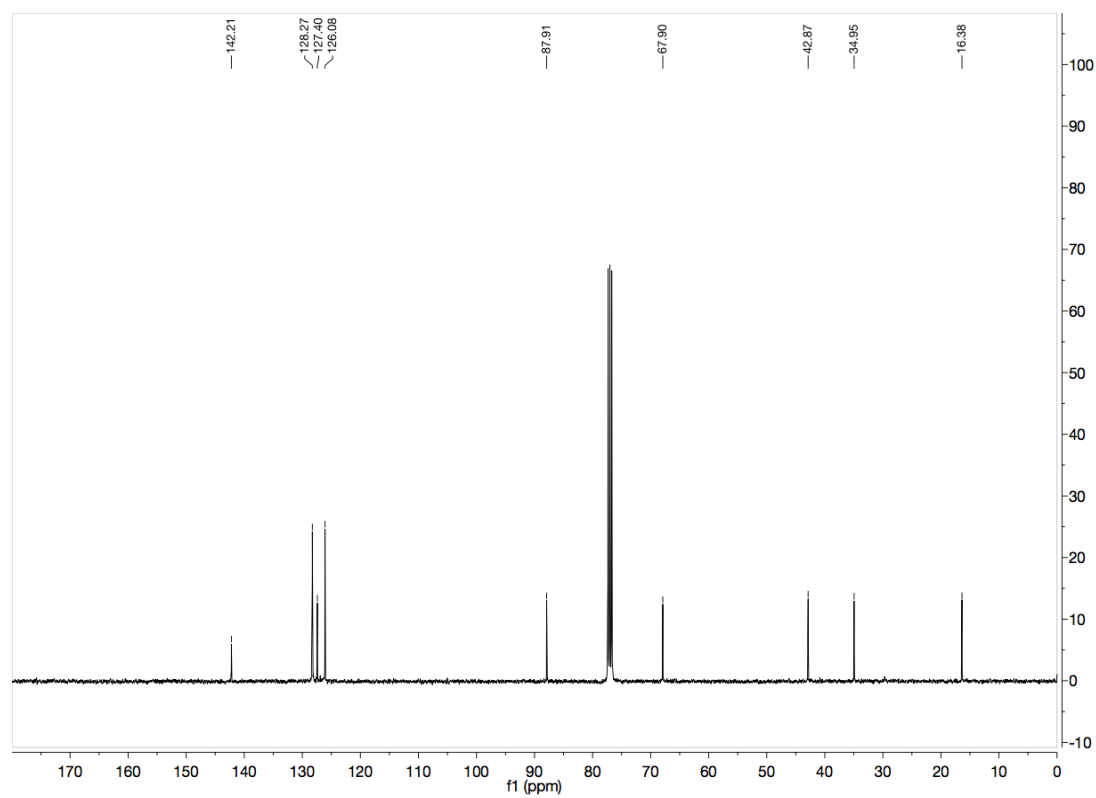
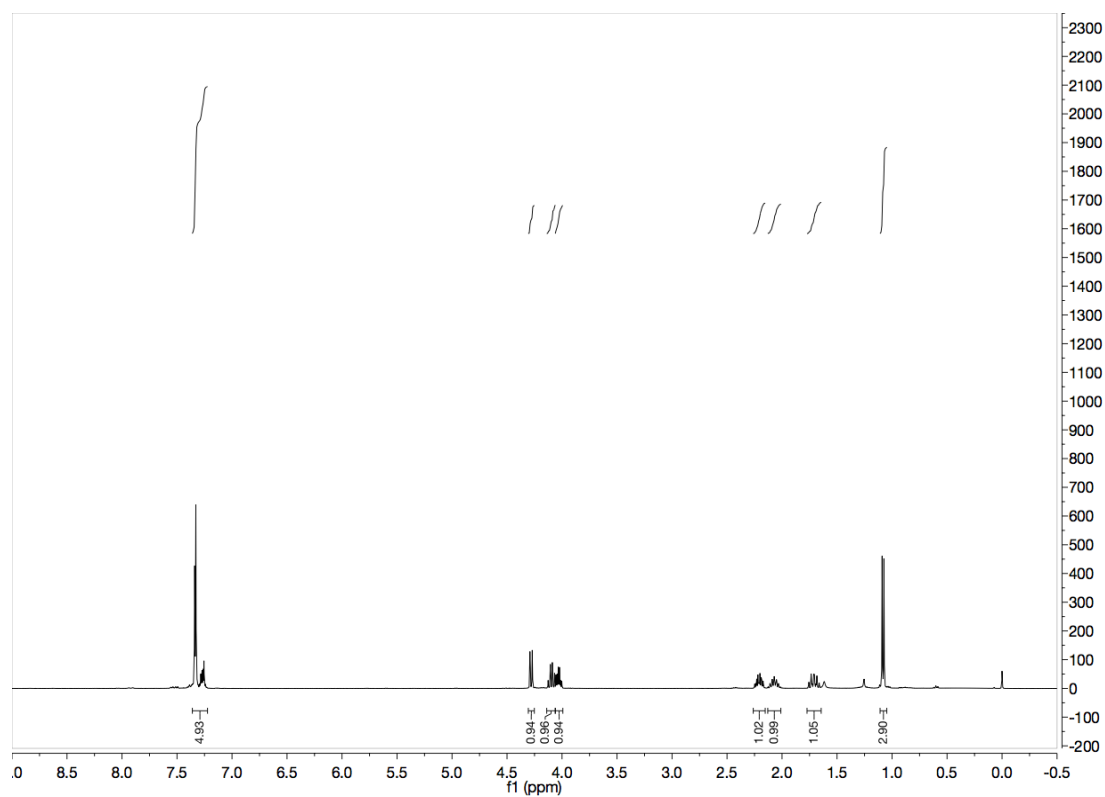
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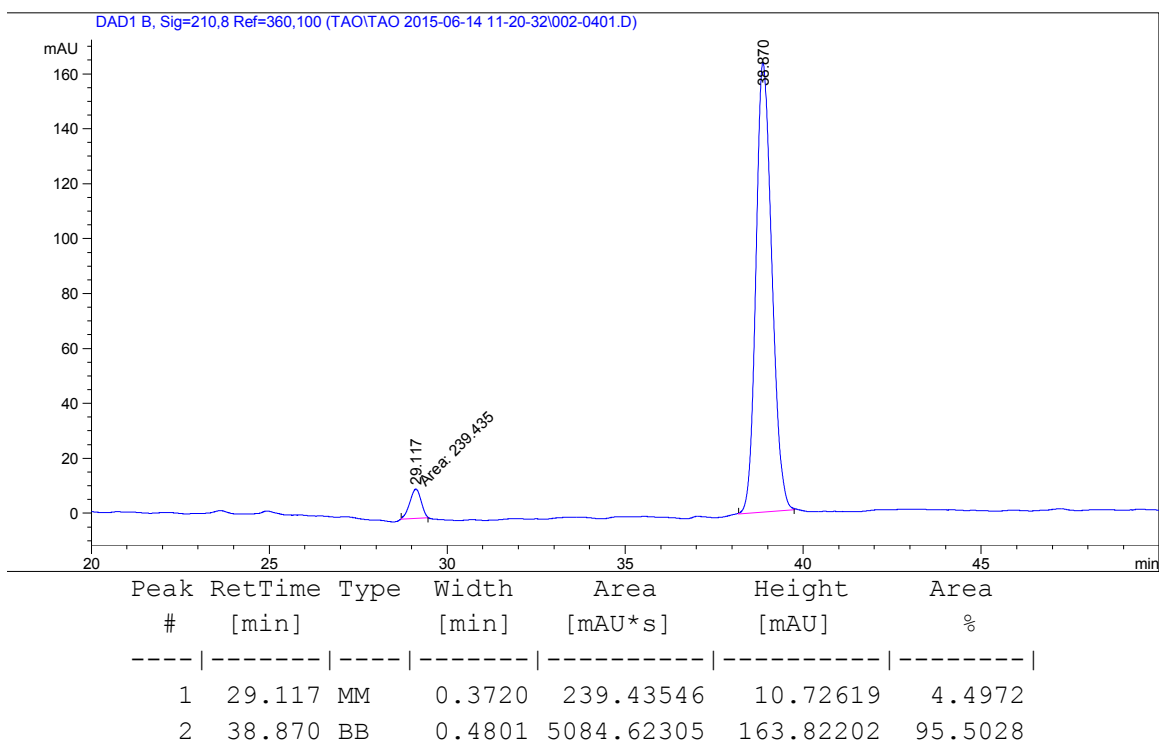
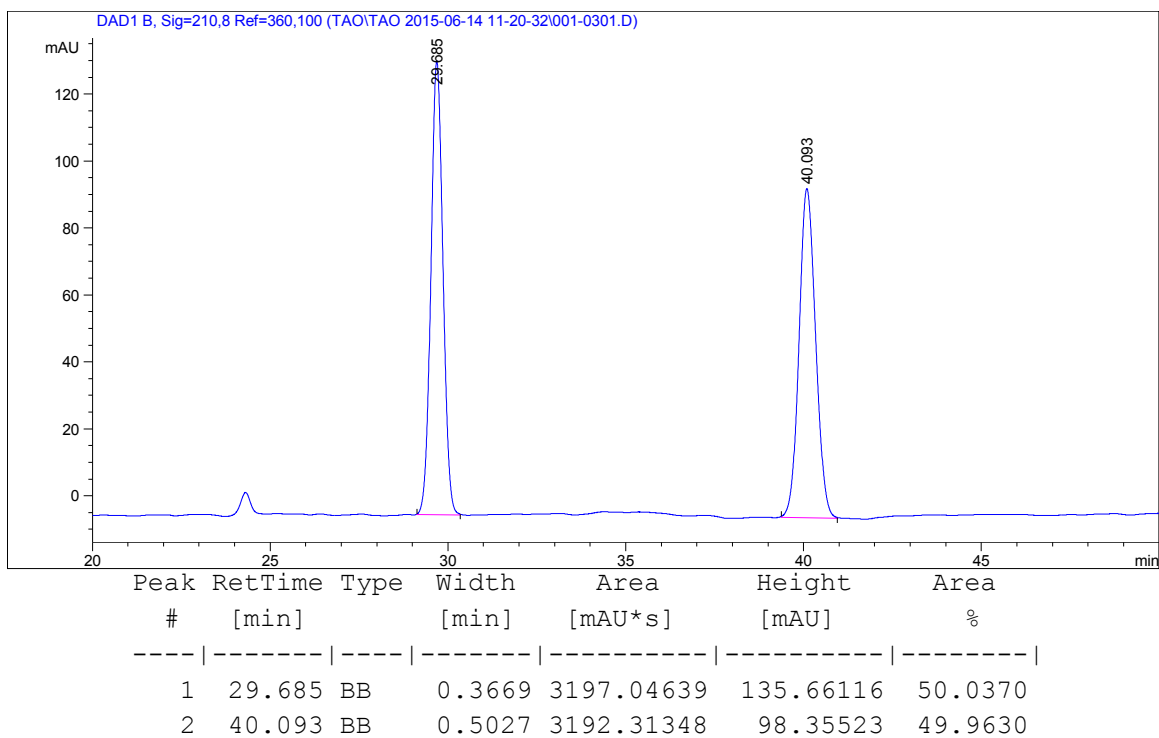
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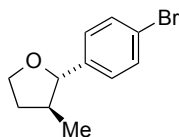
HPLC (Chiralcel OJ-H/OJ-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 91%.

[α]_D²⁵ = -9.7 (*c* = 0.52, CHCl₃)





(2*S*,3*S*)-2-(4-bromophenyl)-3-methyltetrahydrofuran (3.6c).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (78%, *dr* = >20:1) as a colorless liquid.

R_f = 0.7 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.23 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 4.24 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (td, *J* = 8.3, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (td, *J* = 8.4, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 2.25 – 2.16 (m, 1H), 2.07 – 1.94 (m, 1H), 1.77 – 1.66 (m, 1H), 1.07 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H).

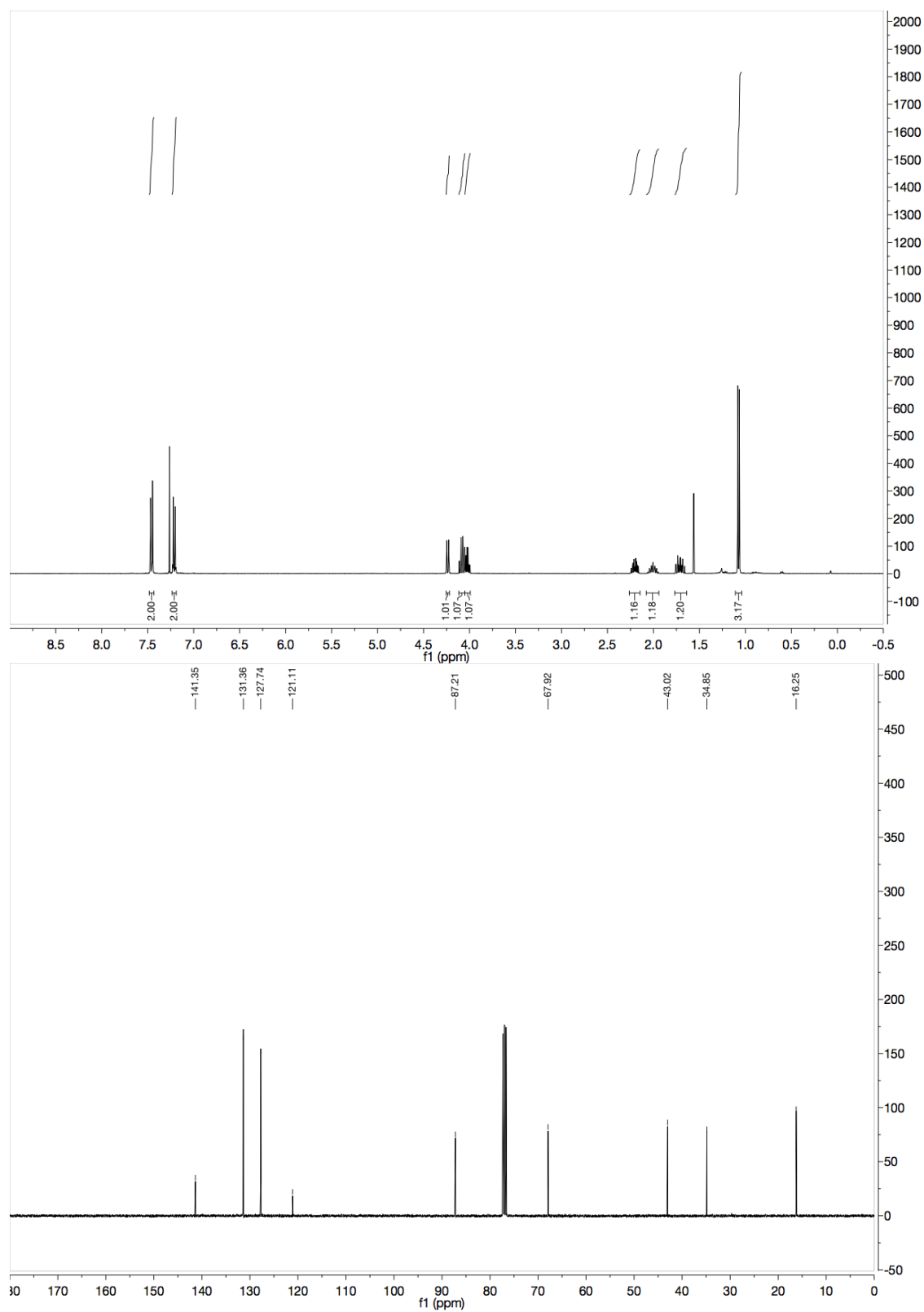
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 141.35, 131.36, 127.74, 121.11, 87.21, 67.92, 43.02, 34.85, 16.25.

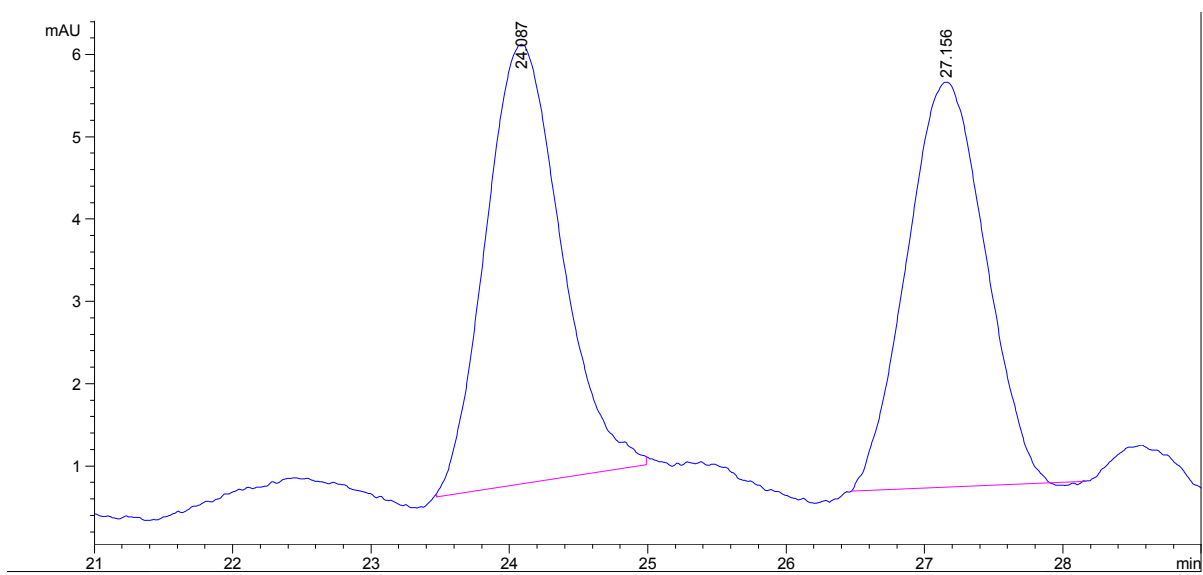
LRMS (CI) Calcd. for C₁₁H₁₄BrO [M+H]⁺: 241, Found: 241.

FTIR (neat): 2960, 2871, 1486, 1069, 1046, 1010, 819, 800 cm⁻¹.

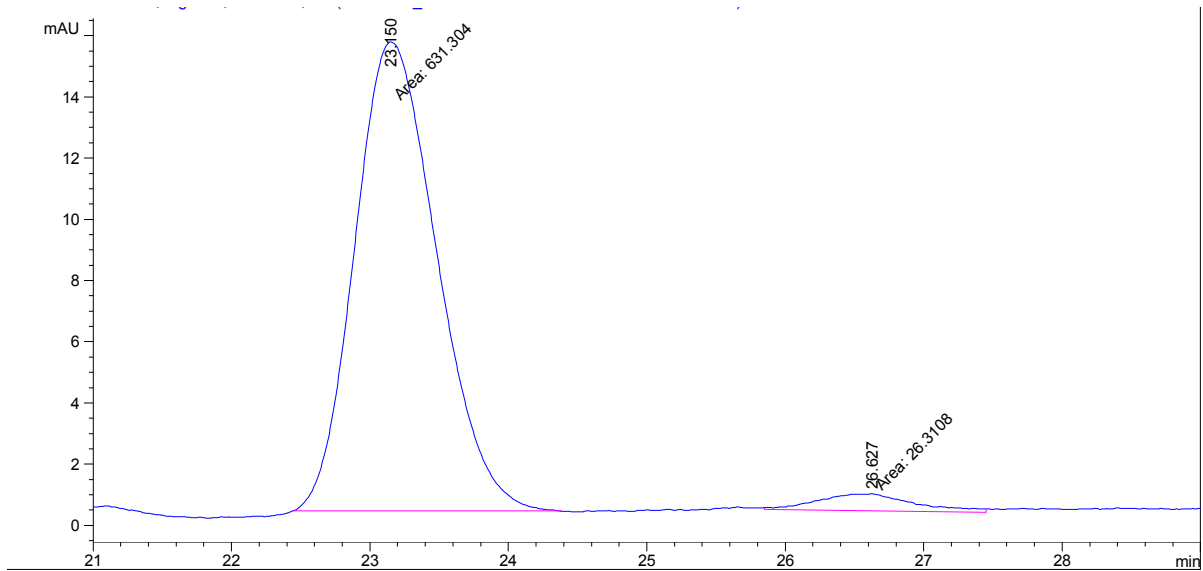
HPLC (Chiralcel AD-H/AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 0.5 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 92%.

[α]_D²⁵ = -1.8 (c = 1.15, CHCl₃)



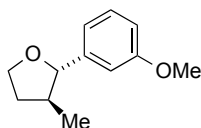


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1	23.150	MM	0.6870	631.30402	15.31611	95.9991
2	26.627	MM	0.7998	26.31081	5.48276e-1	4.0009

(2*S*,3*S*)-2-(3-methoxyphenyl)-3-methyltetrahydrofuran (3.6e).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (80%, *dr* = >20:1) as a colorless liquid.

R_f = 0.7 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.27 – 7.23 (m, 1H), 6.93 – 6.89 (m, 2H), 6.83 – 6.79 (m, 1H), 4.27 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 4.09 (td, *J* = 8.2, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (td, *J* = 8.4, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 2.25 – 2.15 (m, 1H), 2.13 – 2.01 (m, 1H), 1.76 – 1.64 (m, 1H), 1.10 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H).

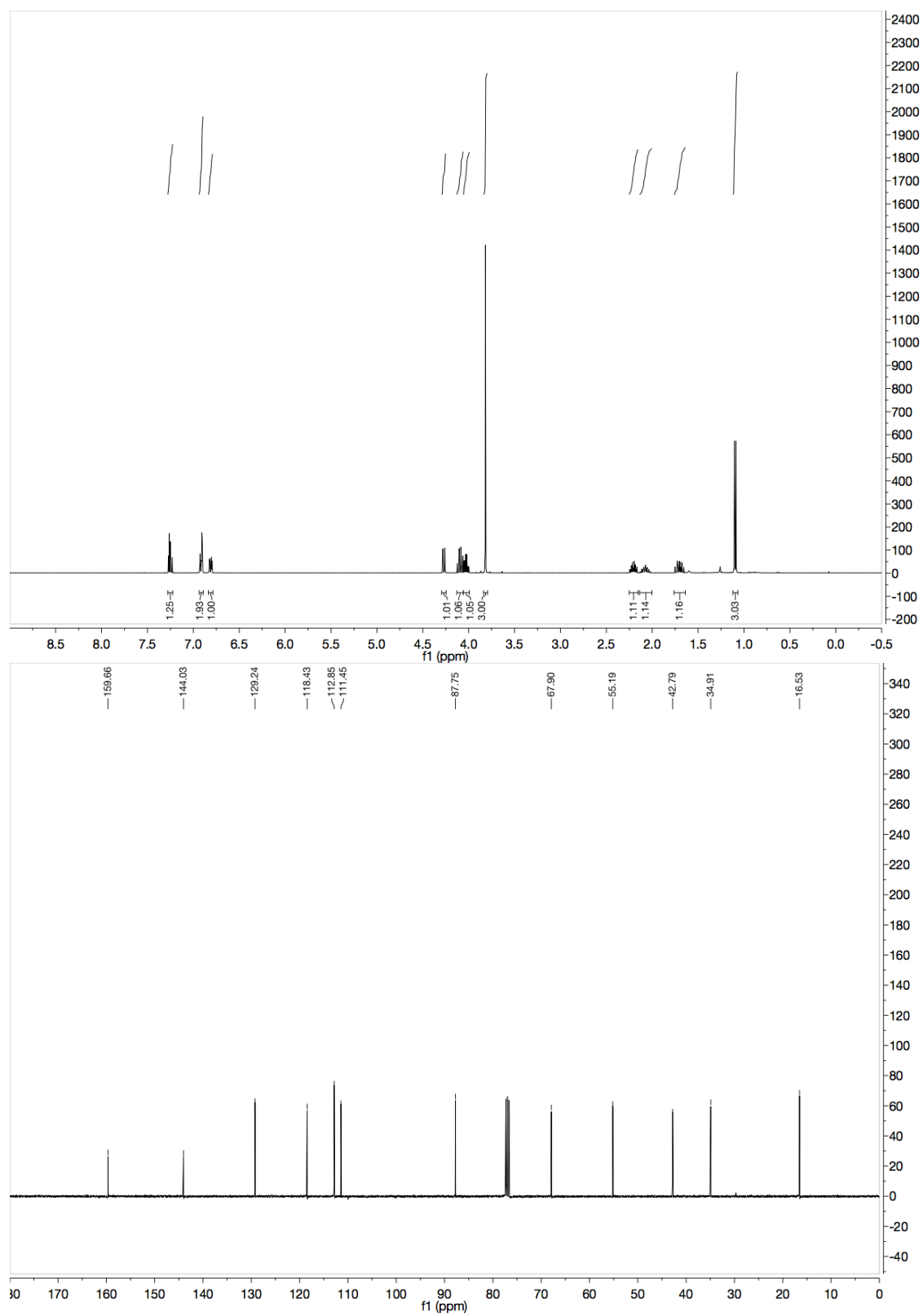
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 159.66, 144.03, 129.24, 118.43, 112.85, 111.45, 87.75, 67.90, 55.19, 42.79, 34.91, 16.53.

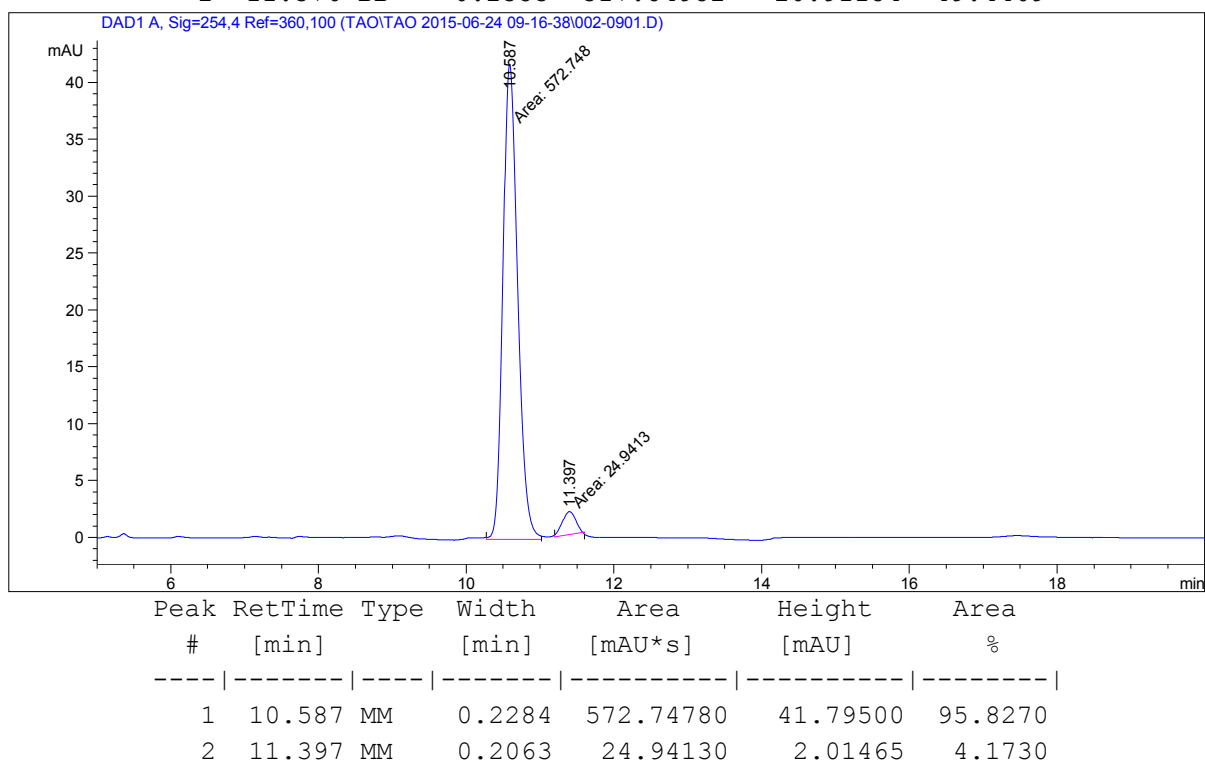
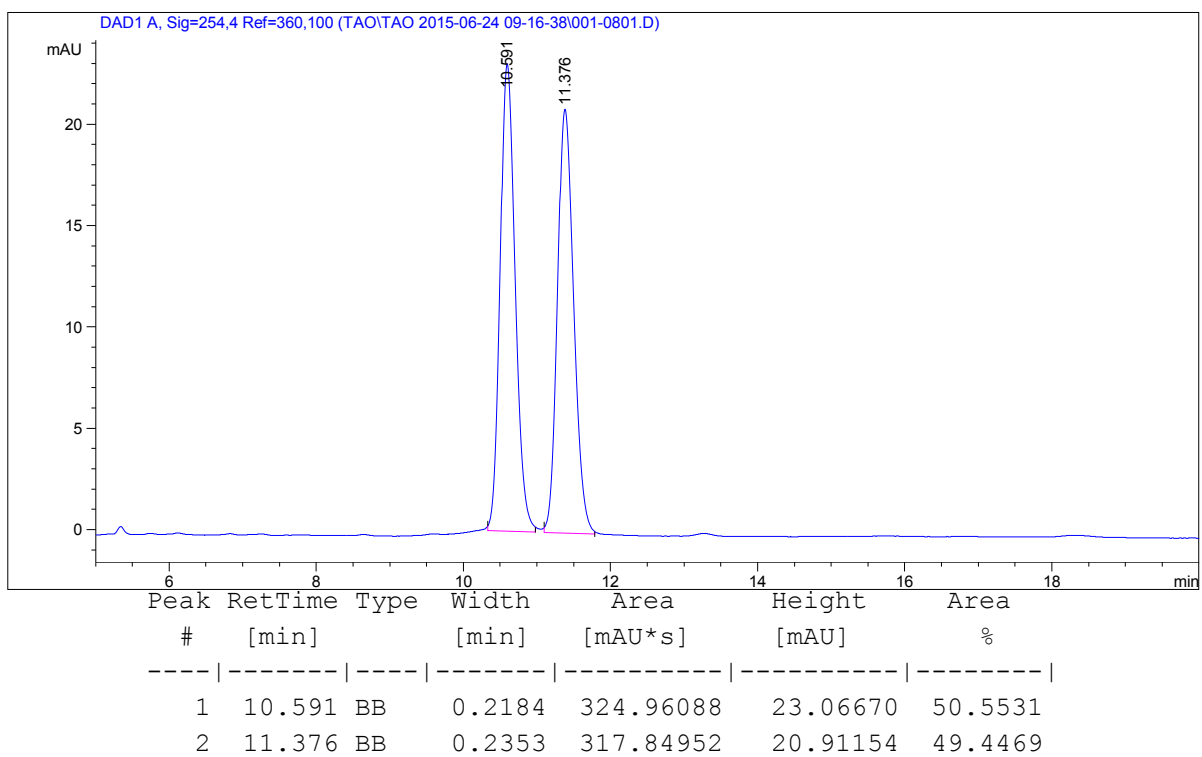
LRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₂H₁₇O₂ [M+H]⁺: 193, Found: 193.

FTIR (neat): 1602, 1585, 1488, 1455, 1267, 1158, 1040, 782 cm⁻¹.

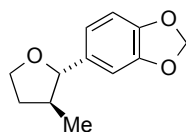
HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 92%.

[α]_D²⁵ = +1.9 (c = 0.52, CHCl₃)





5-((2*S*,3*S*)-3-methyltetrahydrofuran-2-yl)benzo[*d*][1,3]dioxole (3.6f).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (82%, *dr* = >20:1) as a colorless liquid.

R_f = 0.7 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.86 – 6.84 (m, 1H), 6.80 – 6.75 (m, 2H), 5.94 (s, 2H), 4.18 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.06 (td, *J* = 8.3, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 3.99 (td, *J* = 8.4, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 2.25 – 2.15 (m, 1H), 2.08 – 1.94 (m, 1H), 1.75 – 1.62 (m, 1H), 1.05 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H).

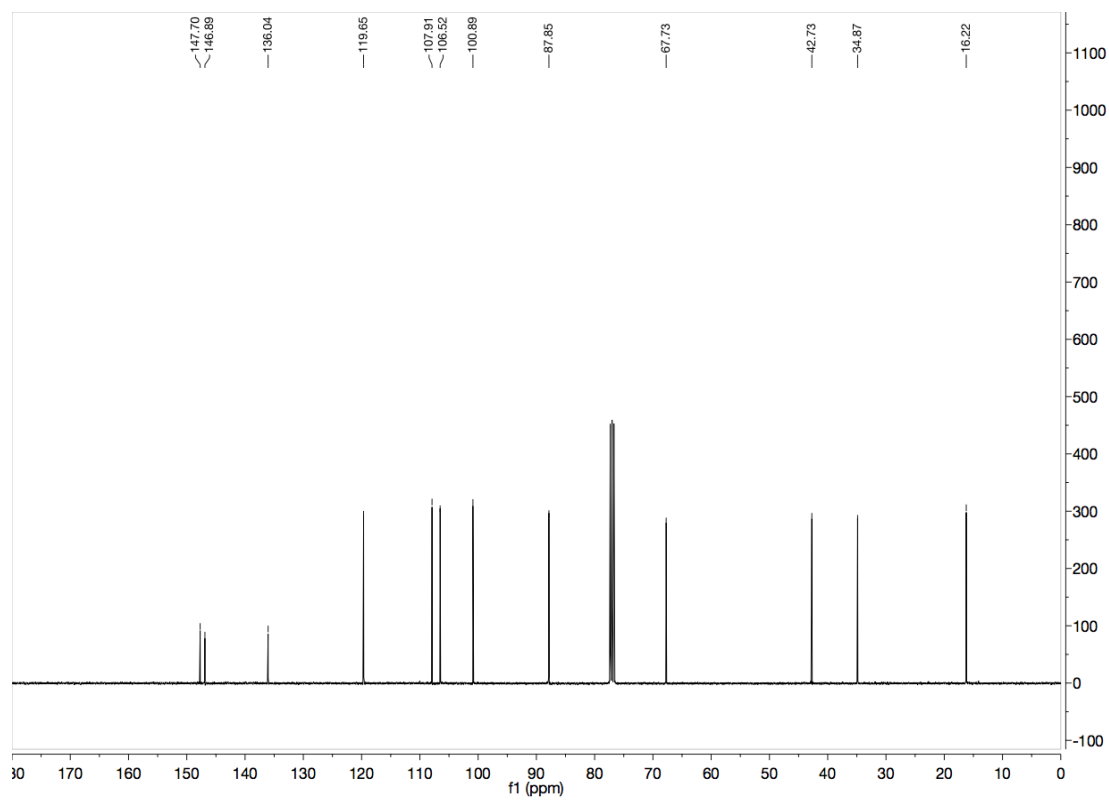
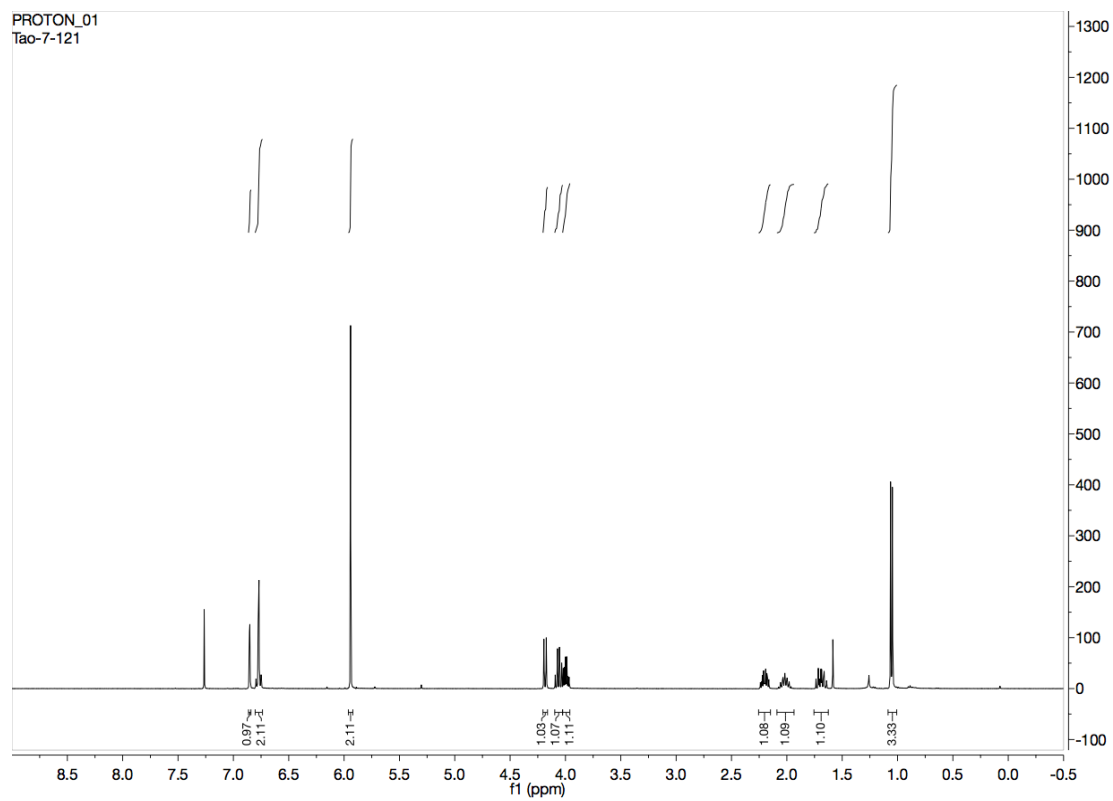
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 147.70, 146.89, 136.04, 119.65, 107.91, 106.52, 100.89, 87.85, 67.73, 42.73, 34.87, 16.22.

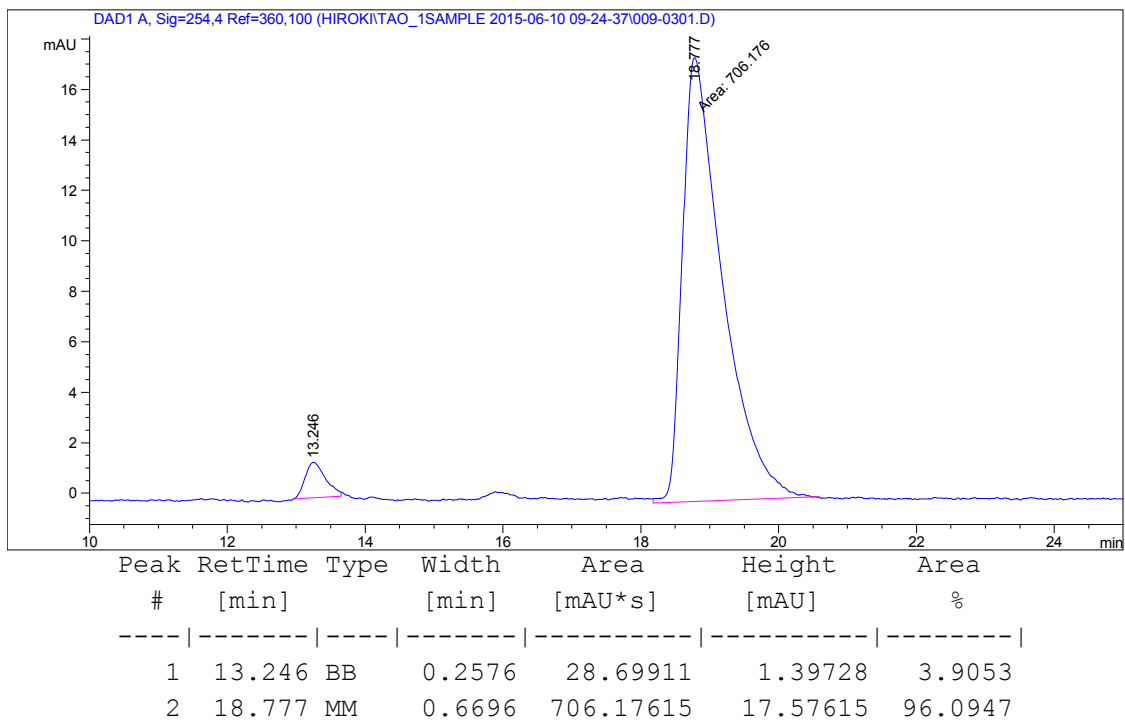
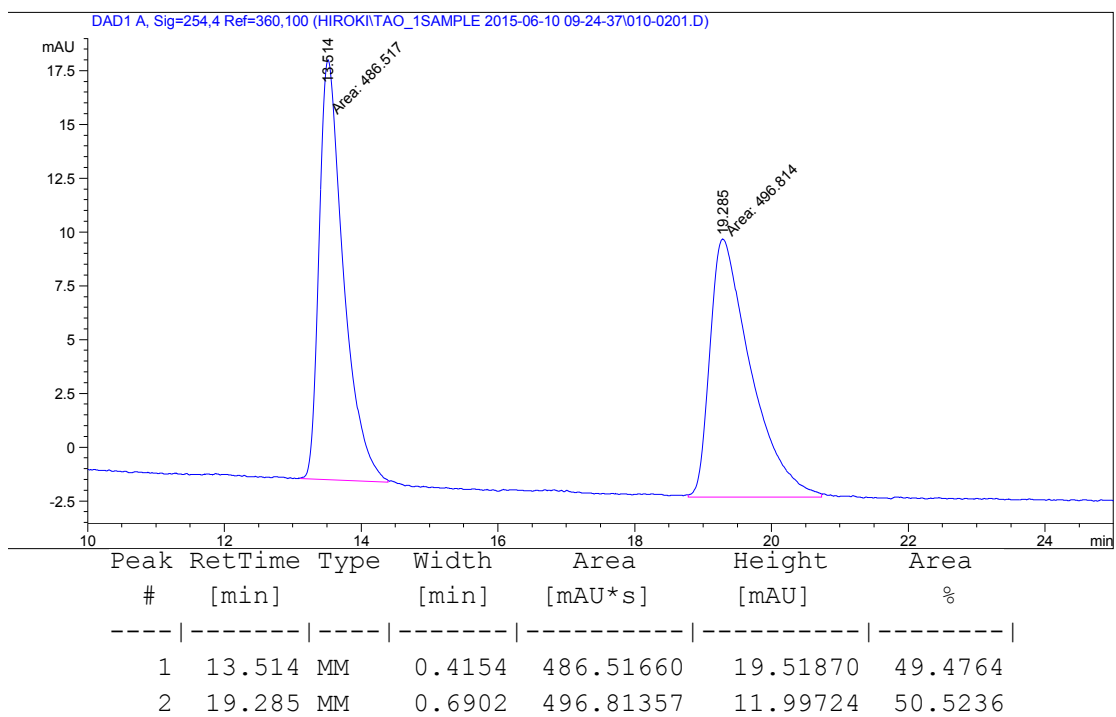
LRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₂H₁₅O₃ [M+H]⁺: 207, Found: 207.

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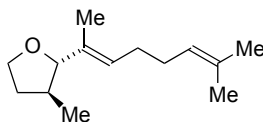
HPLC (Chiralcel AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1 mL/min, 254 nm), ee = 92%.

[α]_D²⁵ = +5.2 (c = 0.58, CHCl₃)





(2*S*,3*S*)-3-methyl-2-((*E*)-7-methylocta-2,6-dien-2-yl)tetrahydrofuran (3.6k).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (77%, *dr* = >20:1) as a colorless liquid.

R_f = 0.7 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.15 (dq, *J* = 8.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 5.12 – 5.06 (m, 1H), 4.00 (t, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 3.93 – 3.81 (m, 2H), 2.16 – 2.07 (m, 3H), 2.07 – 2.00 (m, 2H), 1.91 – 1.77 (m, 1H), 1.70 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 3H), 1.68 (d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 3H), 1.62 – 1.53 (m, 4H), 0.99 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H).

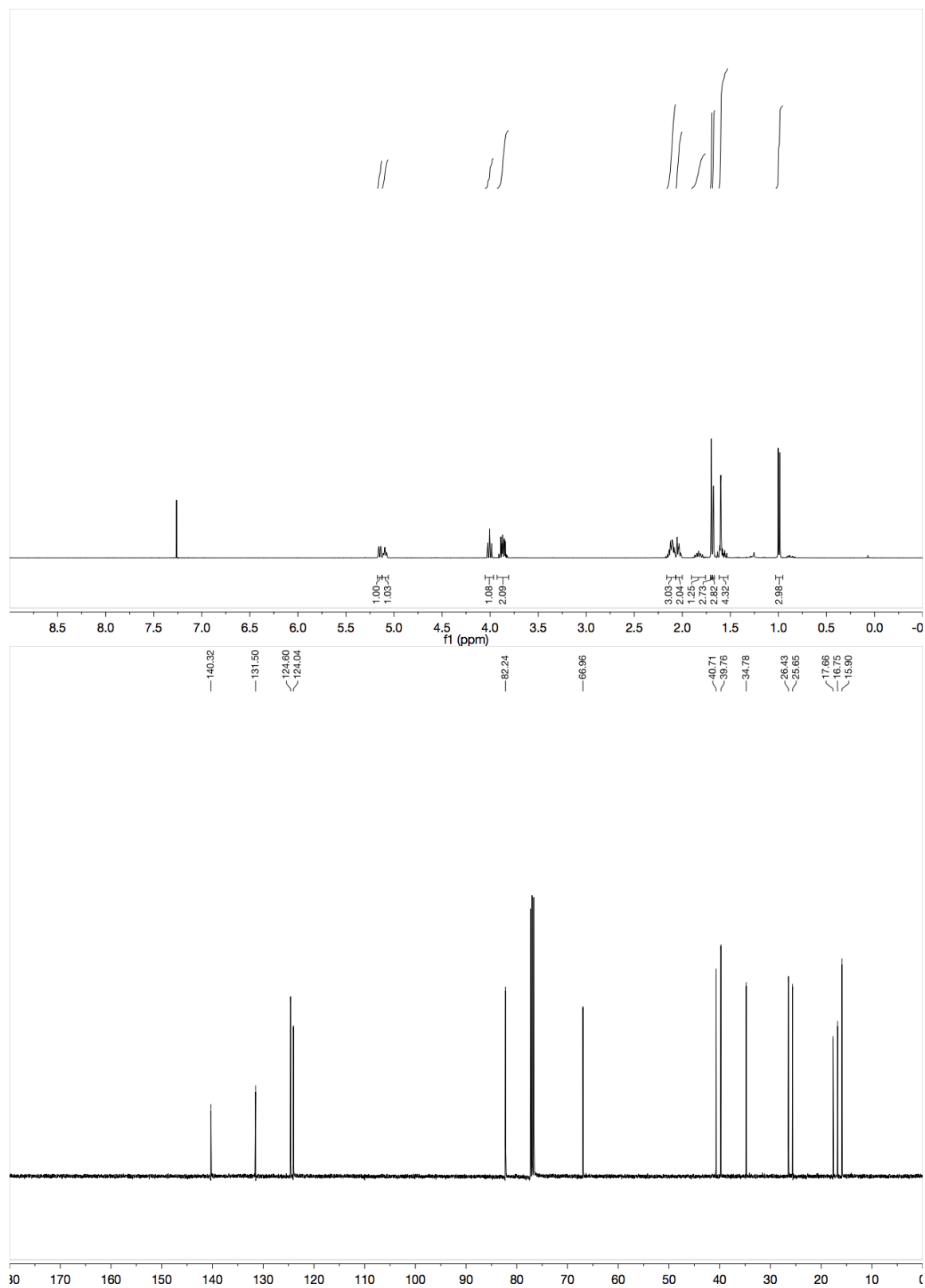
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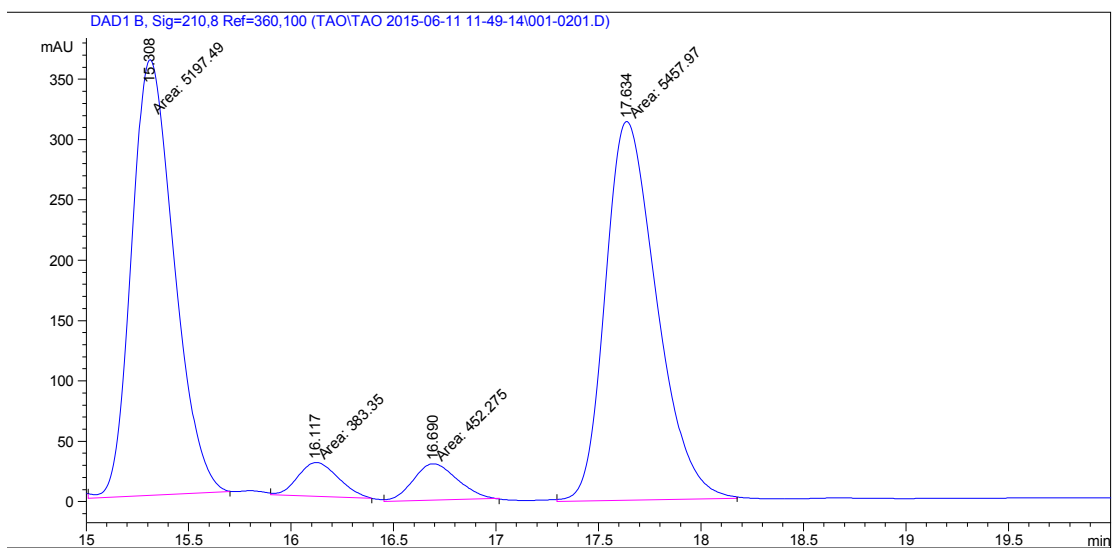
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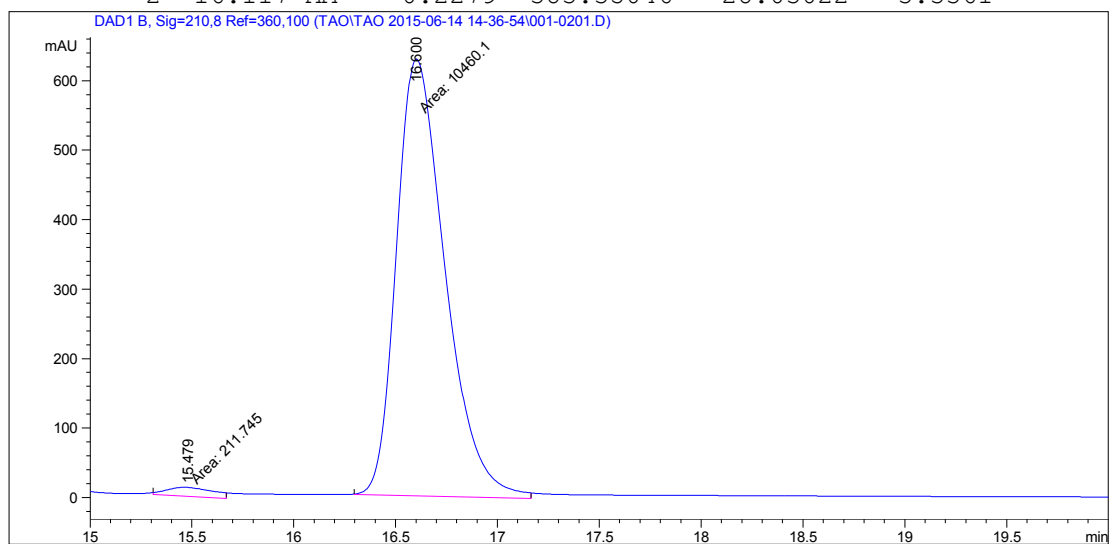
HPLC (Chiralcel AD-H/AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 0.5 mL/min, 254 nm), ee = 96%.

[α]_D²⁵ = +3.9 (c = 0.30, CHCl₃)



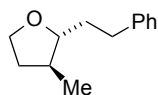


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2	16.117	MM	0.2279	383.35046	28.03022	3.3361



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2	16.600	MM	0.2771	1.04601e4	629.16864	98.0158

(2*R*,3*S*)-3-methyl-2-phenethyltetrahydrofuran (3.6m).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (72%, *dr* = >20:1) as a colorless liquid.

R_f = 0.7 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.31 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.24 – 7.16 (m, 3H), 3.90 – 3.80 (m, 2H), 3.34 (td, *J* = 8.2, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 2.85 (ddd, *J* = 13.7, 10.8, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 2.67 (ddd, *J* = 13.7, 10.5, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 2.15 – 2.04 (m, 1H), 1.92 – 1.69 (m, 3H), 1.59 – 1.48 (m, 1H), 1.03 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H).

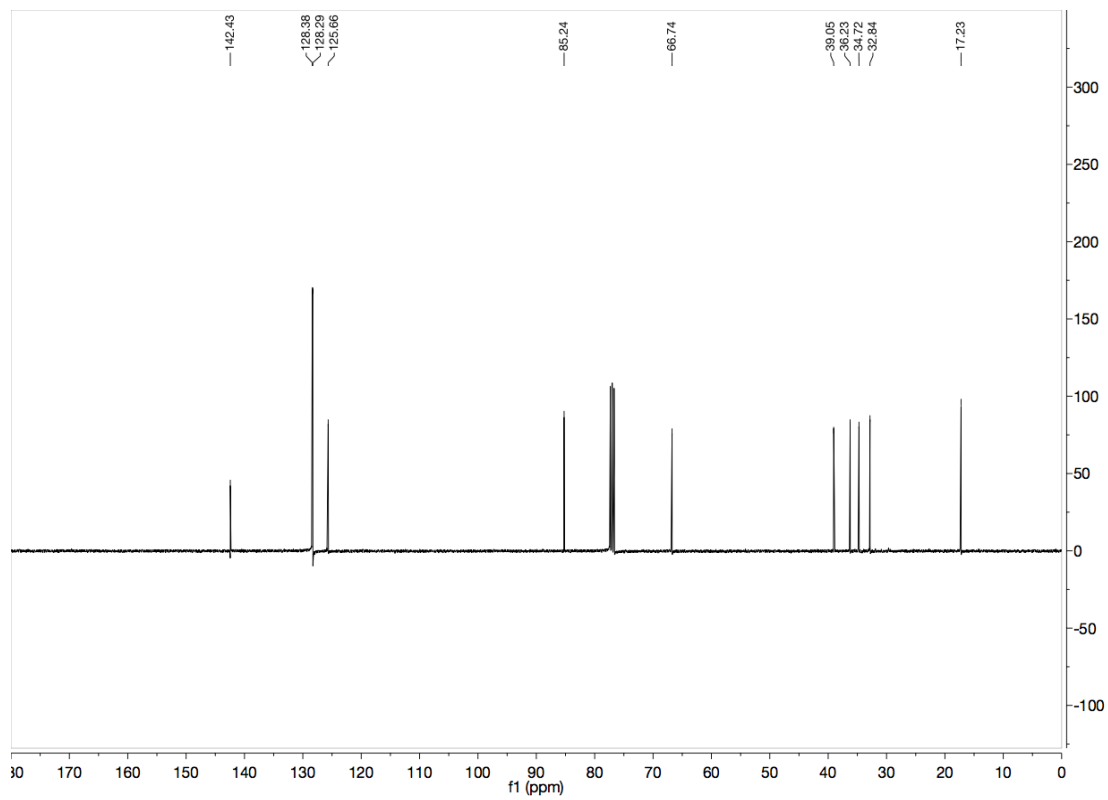
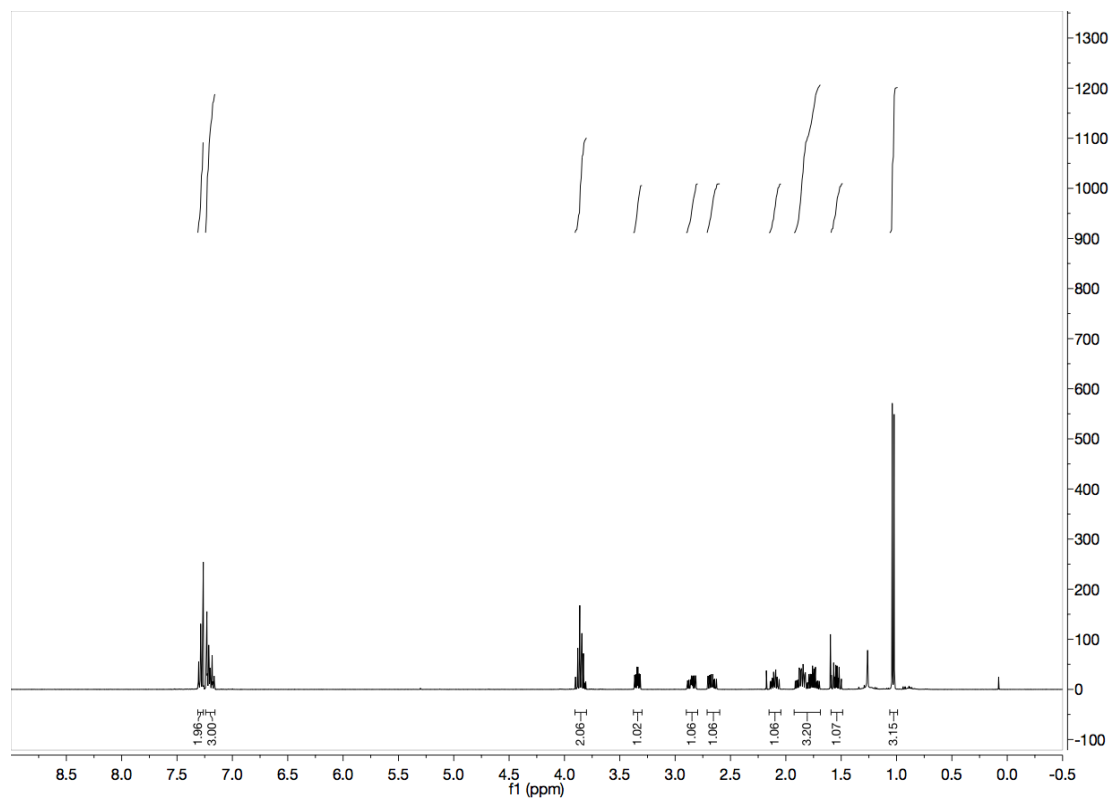
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 142.43, 128.38, 128.29, 125.66, 85.24, 66.74, 39.05, 36.23, 34.72, 32.84, 17.23.

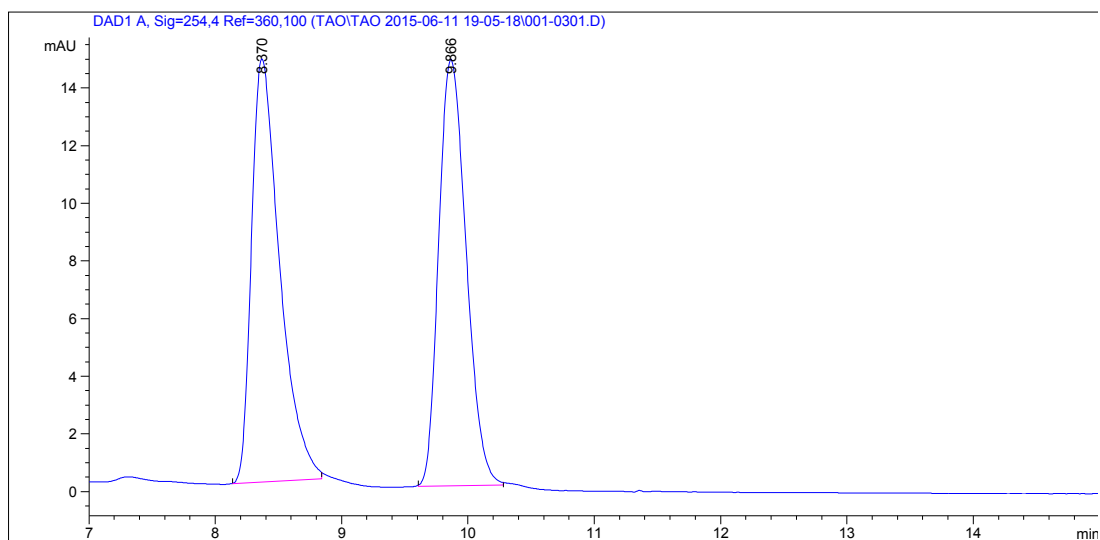
LRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₃H₁₉O [M+H]⁺: 191, Found: 191.

FTIR (neat): 2957, 2927, 1454, 1106, 1039, 1013, 745, 699 cm⁻¹.

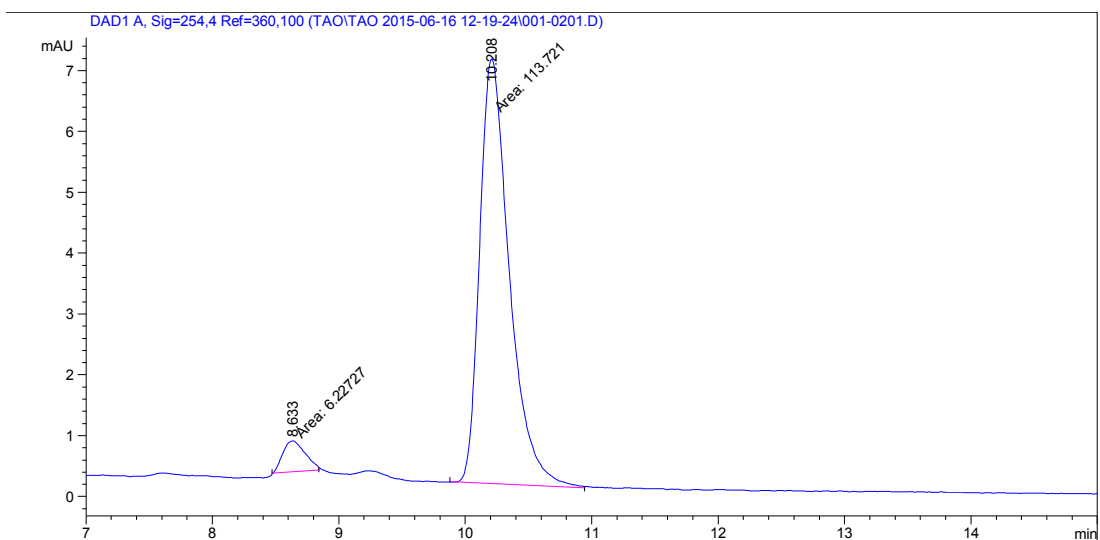
HPLC (Chiralcel AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 0.5 mL/min, 254 nm), ee = 90%.

[α]_D²⁵ = +39.2 (*c* = 0.31, CHCl₃)





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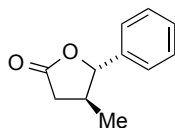


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1	8.633	MM	0.2052	6.22727	5.05894e-1	5.1916
2	10.208	MM	0.2717	113.72086	6.97588	94.8084

General Procedure for Conversion of Alcohols 3.2a, 3.2l, 3.2p to *trans*-4,5-disubstituted lactones 3.7a, 3.7l and 3.7p

To a resealable pressure tube (ca. 13 x 100) was added $\text{H}_2\text{Ru}(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)_3$ (9.2 mg, 0.010 mmol, 5 mol%), SL-J009-1 ligand (5.6 mg, 0.010 mmol, 5 mol%), Bu_4NI (7.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 10 mol%) and 2,4,6-tri(2-propyl)phenylsulfonic acid (4.2 mg, 0.015 mmol, 7.5 mol%). At this stage solid alcohol coupling partners (0.20 mmol, 100 mol%) were added. The tube was then sealed with a rubber septum and purged with argon. THF (0.20 mL, 1 M concentration with respect to alcohols) was then added. At this stage, liquid alcohol coupling partners (0.20 mmol, 100 mol%) were added. 2-propylalcohol (31 μL , 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%) was then added. Alkyne 1a (0.60 mmol, 300 mol%) was added *via* syringe and the rubber septum was quickly replaced with a screw cap. The mixture was then heated at 85 °C for the time stated. After cooling to room temperature, the mixture was passed through a short silica pad, washed the pad with EA, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in THF (2.0 mL) and TBAF (1.0 M in THF, 0.2 mL) was added at 0°C. The mixture was stirred at r.t for 30 min, and then quenched by water, extracted by DCM (3 x 1 mL). The organic layer was washed by brine, dried over Na_2SO_4 . The organic solvent was evaporated down to 2 mL and 4 Å MS (100 mg), NaOAc (8.2 mg, 0.10 mmol) and PCC (129 mg, 0.60 mmol) were added, and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 hours. The solvent was removed by *vacuo*, and the residue was subjected to flash column chromatography (SiO_2 , eluent Hexanes:EA = 5:1) to afford the corresponding lactone products.

(4*S*,5*S*)-4-methyl-5-phenyldihydrofuran-2(3*H*)-one (3.7a).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (70%, *dr* = >20:1) as a colorless liquid.

***R*_f** = 0.2 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43 – 7.31 (m, 5H), 4.94 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (dd, *J* = 16.9, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 2.55 – 2.42 (m, 1H), 2.34 (dd, *J* = 16.9, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 1.19 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H).

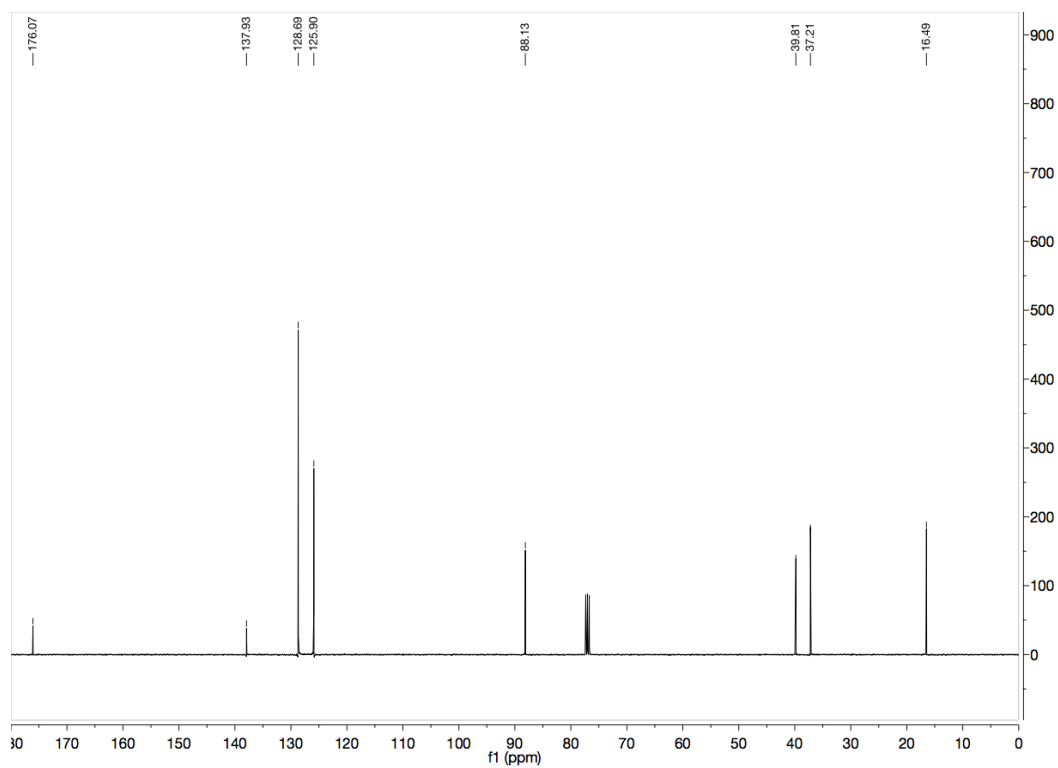
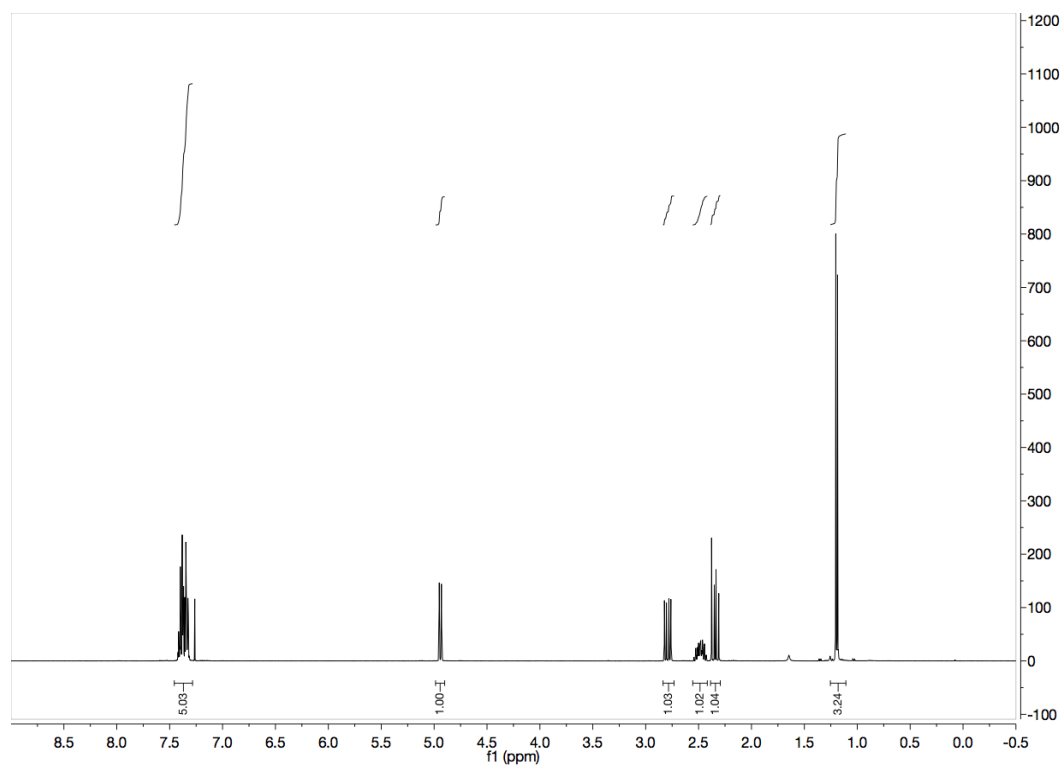
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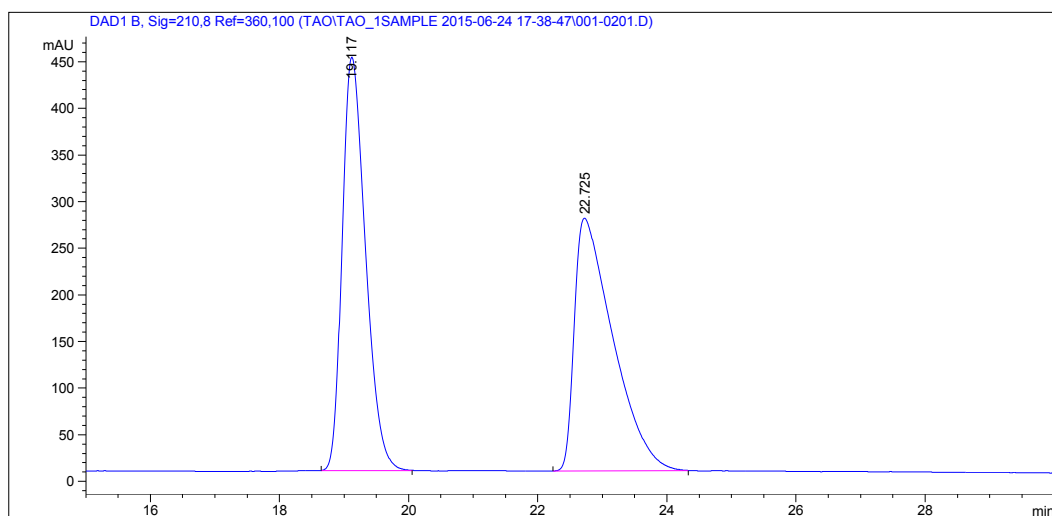
LRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₁H₁₃O₂ [M+H]⁺: 177, Found: 177.

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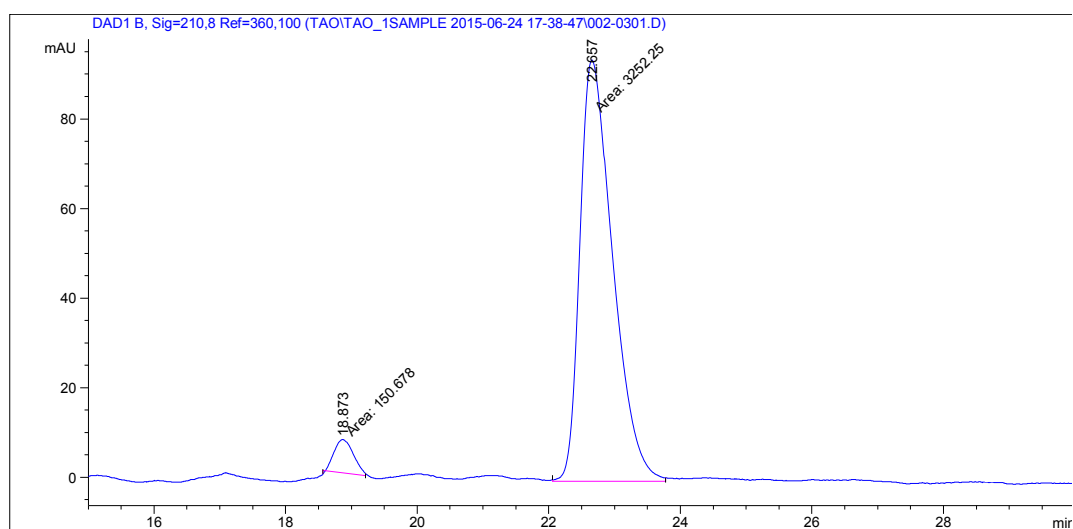
HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 91%.

[α]_D²⁵ = +1.1 (c = 0.9, CHCl₃)



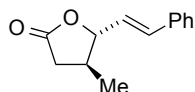


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2	22.725	BB	0.5887	1.12136e4	271.02835	50.1714



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1	18.873	MM	0.3384	150.67789	7.42006	4.4279
2	22.657	MM	0.5766	3252.25488	94.00772	95.5721

(4*S*,5*S*)-4-methyl-5-((*E*)-styryl)dihydrofuran-2(3*H*)-one (3.7l).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (76%, *dr* = >20:1) as a colorless liquid.

R_f = 0.2 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43 – 7.27 (m, 5H), 6.70 (d, *J* = 16.3 Hz, 1H), 6.17 (dd, *J* = 15.9, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.58 (ddd, *J* = 8.1, 7.2, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 2.74 (dd, *J* = 16.9, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 2.46 – 2.33 (m, 1H), 2.27 (dd, *J* = 16.9, 10.2 Hz, 1H), 1.20 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H).

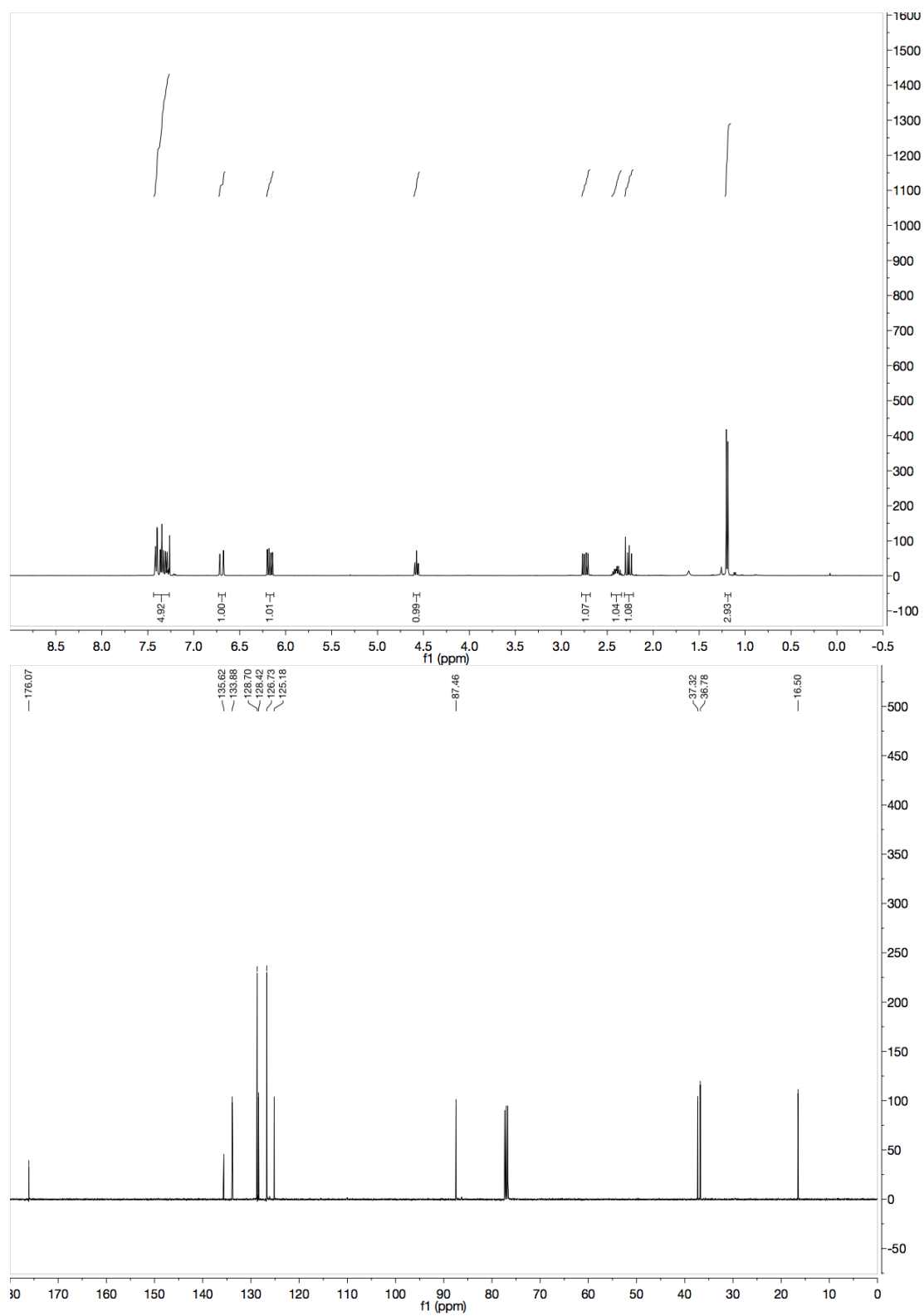
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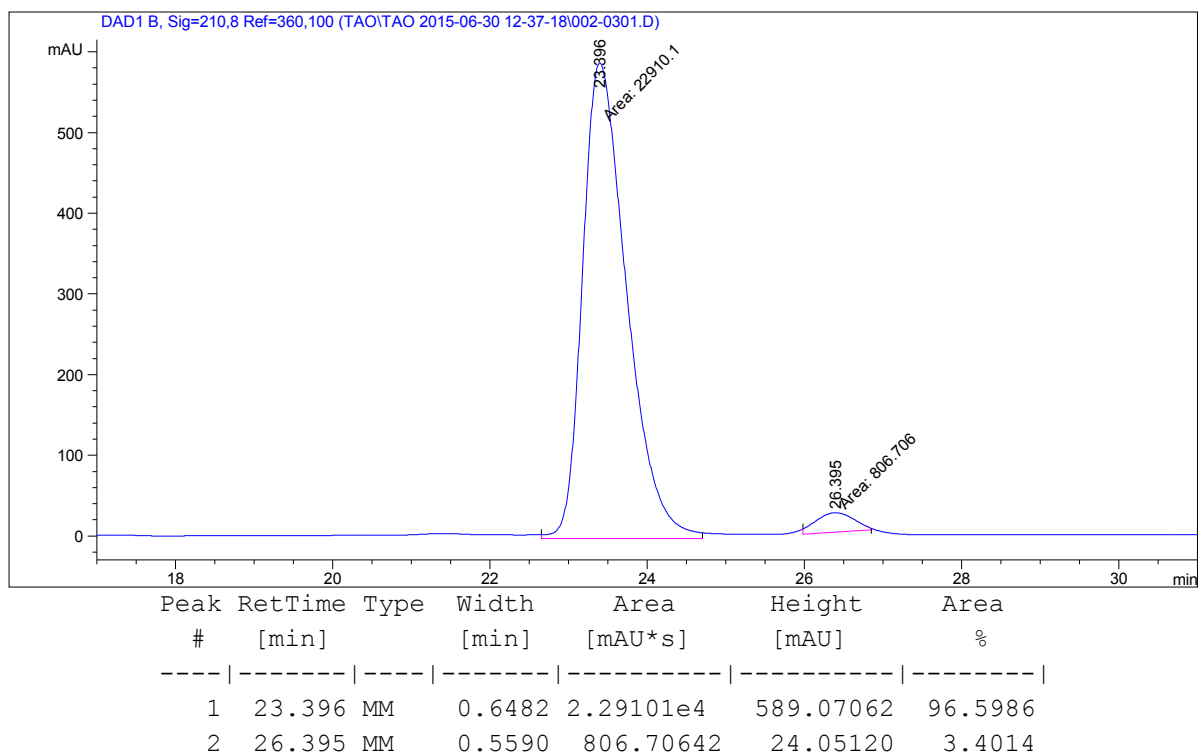
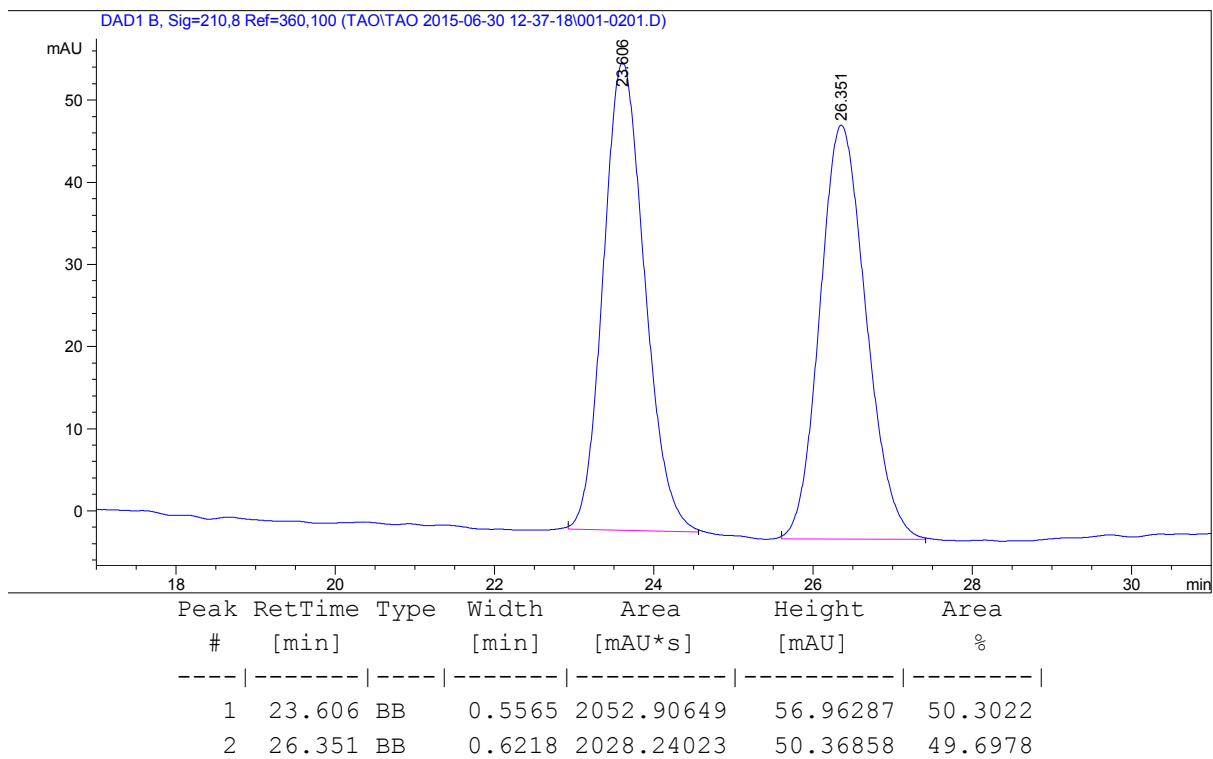
LRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₃H₁₅O₂ [M+H]⁺: 203, Found: 203.

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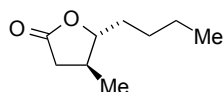
HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 93%.

[α]_D²⁵ = +47.5 (c = 0.4, CHCl₃)





(4*S*,5*R*)-5-butyl-4-methyldihydrofuran-2(3*H*)-one (3.7p).



The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to furnish the title compound (72%, *dr* = >20:1) as a colorless liquid.

R_f = 0.2 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.00 (td, *J* = 8.0, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 2.72 – 2.60 (m, 1H), 2.26 – 2.13 (m, 2H), 1.72 – 1.56 (m, 2H), 1.55 – 1.44 (m, 1H), 1.42 – 1.30 (m, 3H), 1.13 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H), 0.91 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H).

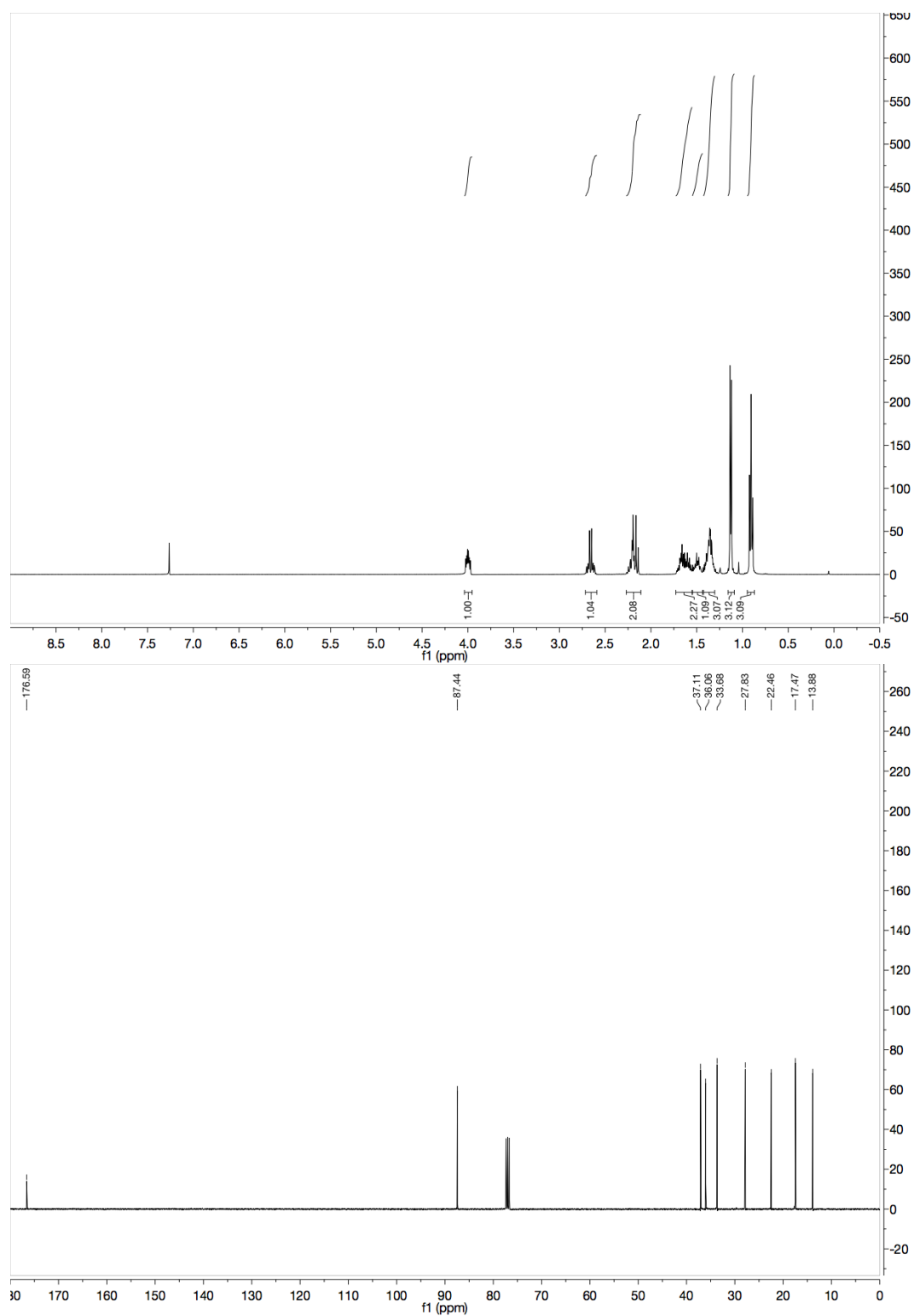
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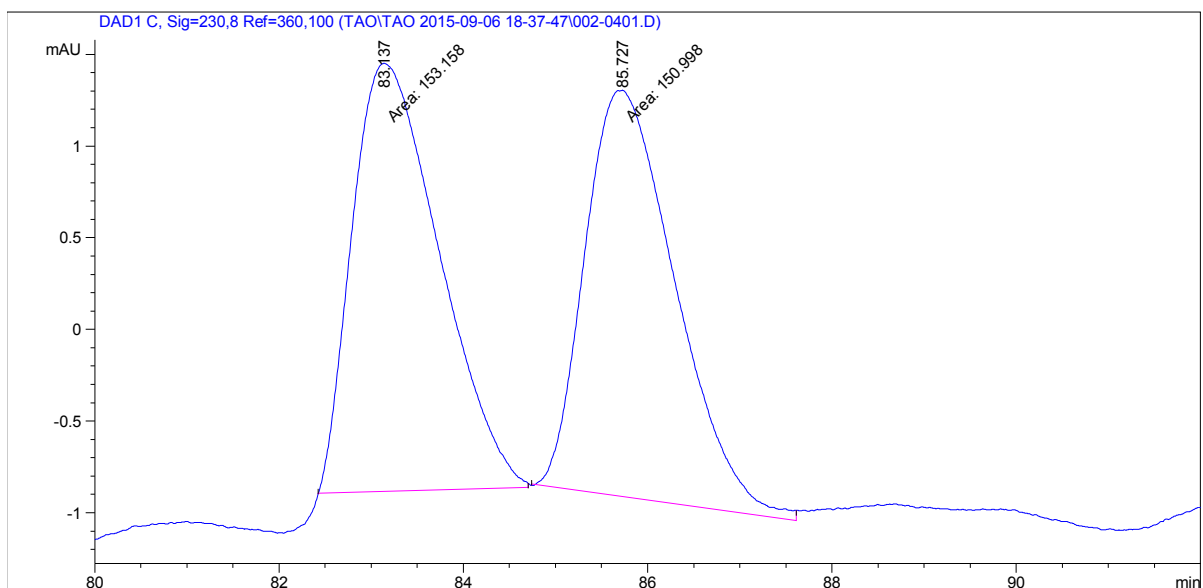
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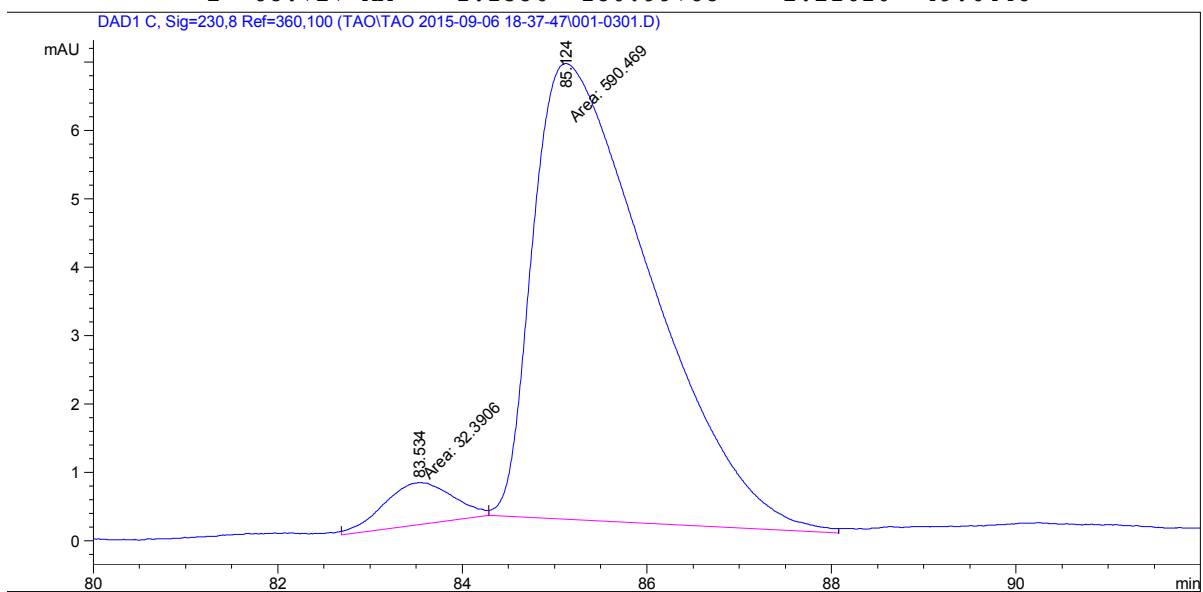
HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H/OD-H/OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 0.5 mL/min, 230 nm), ee = 90%.

[α]_D²⁵ = +59.6 (*c* = 0.71, CHCl₃)





Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
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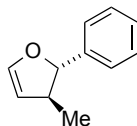


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2	85.124	MM	1.4763	590.46930	6.66621	94.7997

Formation of trans-4,5-disubstituted-2,3-dehydrofuran 3.8a

To a resealable pressure tube (ca. 13 x 100) was added $\text{H}_2\text{Ru}(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)_3$ (9.2 mg, 0.010 mmol, 5 mol%), SL-J009-1 ligand (5.6 mg, 0.010 mmol, 5 mol%), Bu_4NI (7.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 10 mol%) and 2,4,6-tri(2-propyl)phenylsulfonic acid (4.2 mg, 0.015 mmol, 7.5 mol%). THF (0.20 mL, 1 M concentration with respect to alcohols) was then added, followed by benzyl alcohol (0.20 mmol, 100 mol%), 2-propylalcohol (31 μL , 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Alkyne 1a (0.60 mmol, 300 mol%) was added *via* syringe and the rubber septum was quickly replaced with a screw cap. The mixture was then heated at 85 °C for 48 hours. After cooling to room temperature, the mixture was passed through a short silica pad, washed the pad with EA, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in THF (2.0 mL) and TBAF (1.0 M in THF, 0.2 mL) was added at 0°C. The mixture was stirred at r.t for 30 min, and then quenched by water, extracted by DCM (3 x 1 mL). The organic layer was washed by brine, dried over Na_2SO_4 . The organic solvent was evaporated and THF (2 mL) was added, followed by MsCl (45.6 mg, 0.4 mmol) and triethyl amine (121 mg, 1.2 mmol). The mixture was refluxed for 1 hour and then quenched by NH_4Cl , extracted by ether (3 x 1 mL). The organic layer was washed by water, brine, dried over Na_2SO_4 . The solvent was removed by *vacuo*, and the residue was subjected to flash column chromatography (SiO_2 , eluent Pentane: Et_2O = 9:1) to afford the dehydrofuran 8a (61%, *dr* = >20:1) as colorless liquid.

(2*S*,3*S*)-3-methyl-2-phenyl-2,3-dihydrofuran (3.8a).



R_f = 0.3 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39 – 7.27 (m, 5H), 6.45 (dd, *J* = 2.8, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 4.97 – 4.90 (m, 2H), 3.04 – 2.90 (m, 1H), 1.23 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H).

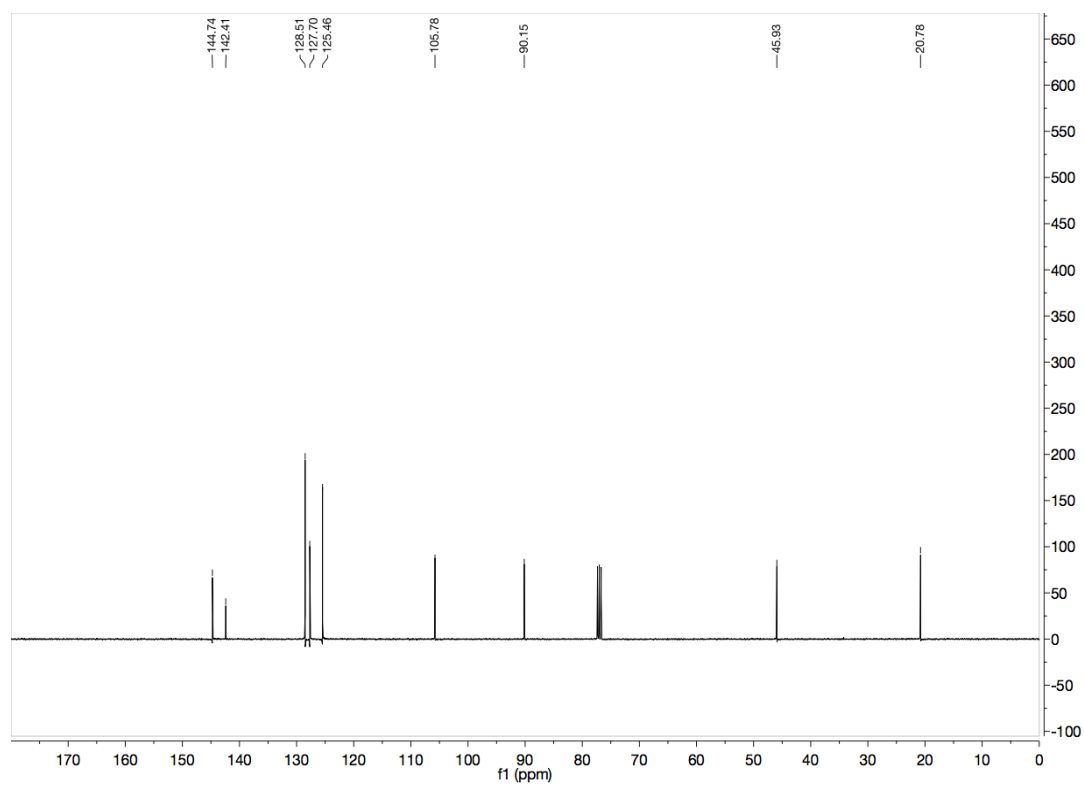
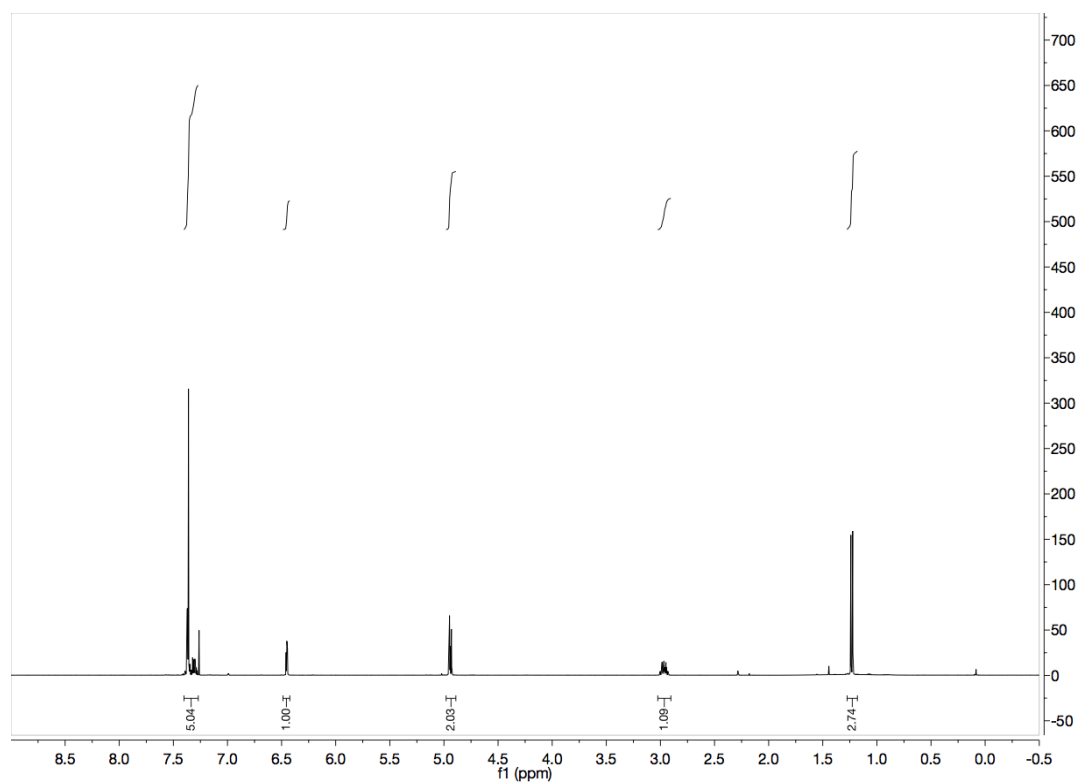
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 144.74, 142.41, 128.51, 127.70, 125.46, 105.78, 90.15, 45.93, 20.78.

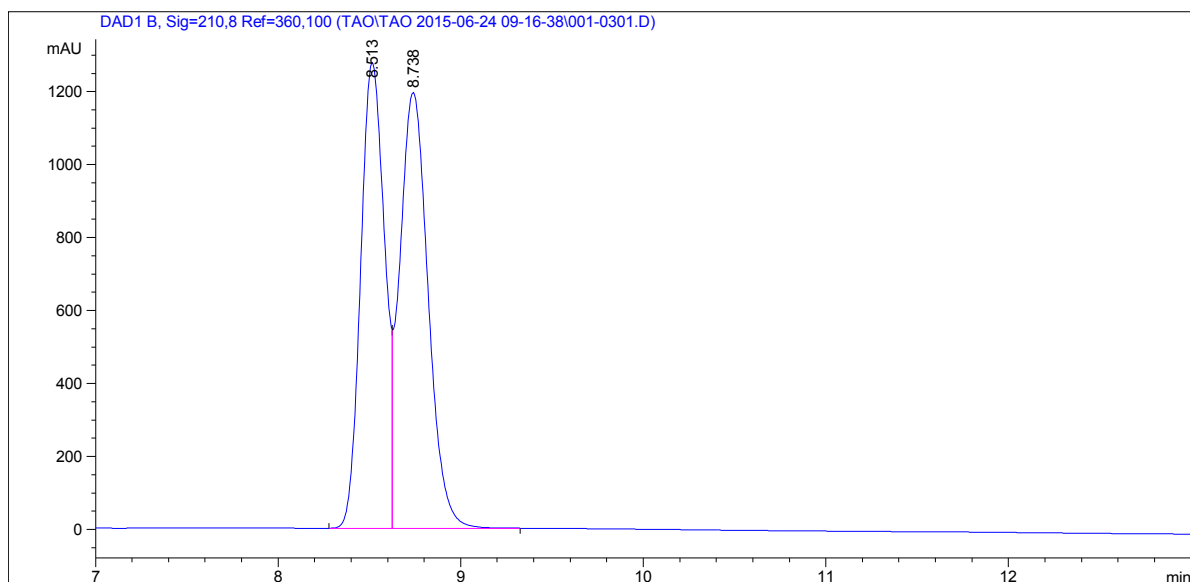
LRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₁H₁₃O [M+H]⁺: 161, Found: 161.

FTIR (neat): 2359, 2341, 1140, 1095, 1011, 721, 697, 669 cm⁻¹.

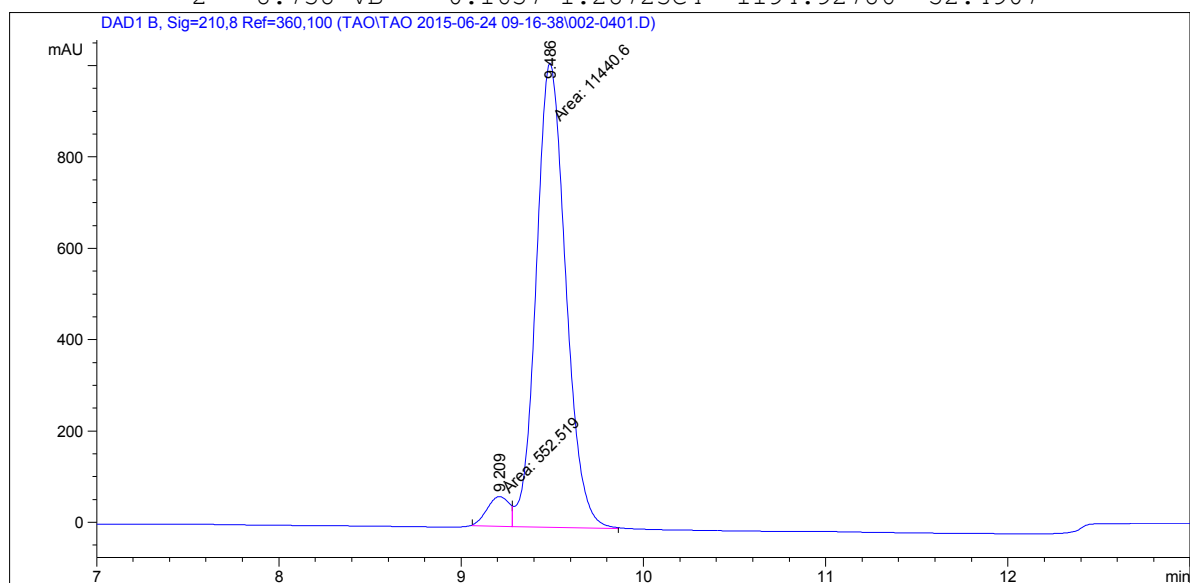
HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 0.5 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 91%.

[α]_D²⁵ = +171.4 (c = 0.34, CHCl₃)





Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	8.513	BV	0.1425	1.16507e4	1276.80237	47.5093
2	8.738	VB	0.1637	1.28723e4	1194.92786	52.4907

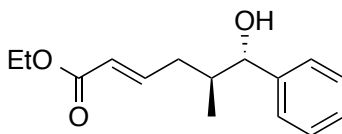


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1	9.209	MF	0.1417	552.51855	64.98923	4.6070
2	9.486	FM	0.1877	1.14406e4	1016.07440	95.3930

Formation of 3.9a

To a resealable pressure tube (ca. 13 x 100) was added $\text{H}_2\text{Ru}(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)_3$ (9.2 mg, 0.010 mmol, 5 mol%), SL-J009-1 ligand (5.6 mg, 0.010 mmol, 5 mol%), Bu_4NI (7.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 10 mol%) and 2,4,6-tri(2-propyl)phenylsulfonic acid (4.2 mg, 0.015 mmol, 7.5 mol%). THF (0.20 mL, 1 M concentration with respect to alcohols) was then added, followed by benzyl alcohol (0.20 mmol, 100 mol%), 2-propylalcohol (31 μL , 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Alkyne 1a (0.60 mmol, 300 mol%) was added *via* syringe and the rubber septum was quickly replaced with a screw cap. The mixture was then heated at 85 °C for 48 hours. After cooling to room temperature, the mixture was passed through a short silica pad, washed the pad with EA, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in THF (4.0 mL, 0.05 M) and TBAF (1.0 M in THF, 0.2 mL) was added at 0°C. The mixture was stirred at r.t for 30 min, and then (Carbethoxymethylene)triphenylphosphorane (208 mg, 0.6 mmol) was added. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 36 hours. The solvent was removed by *vacuo*, and the residue was subjected to flash column chromatography (SiO_2 , eluent Hexanes:EA = 6:1) to afford 9a (71%, *dr* = >20:1, *E/Z* = >20:1) as colorless liquid.

Ethyl (5*S*,6*S*,*E*)-6-hydroxy-5-methyl-6-phenylhex-2-enoate (3.9a).



R_f = 0.2 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.38 – 7.27 (m, 5H), 6.97 (ddd, *J* = 15.6, 8.4, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.85 (dd, *J* = 15.6, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 4.43 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.61 – 2.51 (m, 1H), 2.15 (ddd, *J* = 14.2, 8.6, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 2.06 – 1.95 (m, 2H), 1.28 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 0.77 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

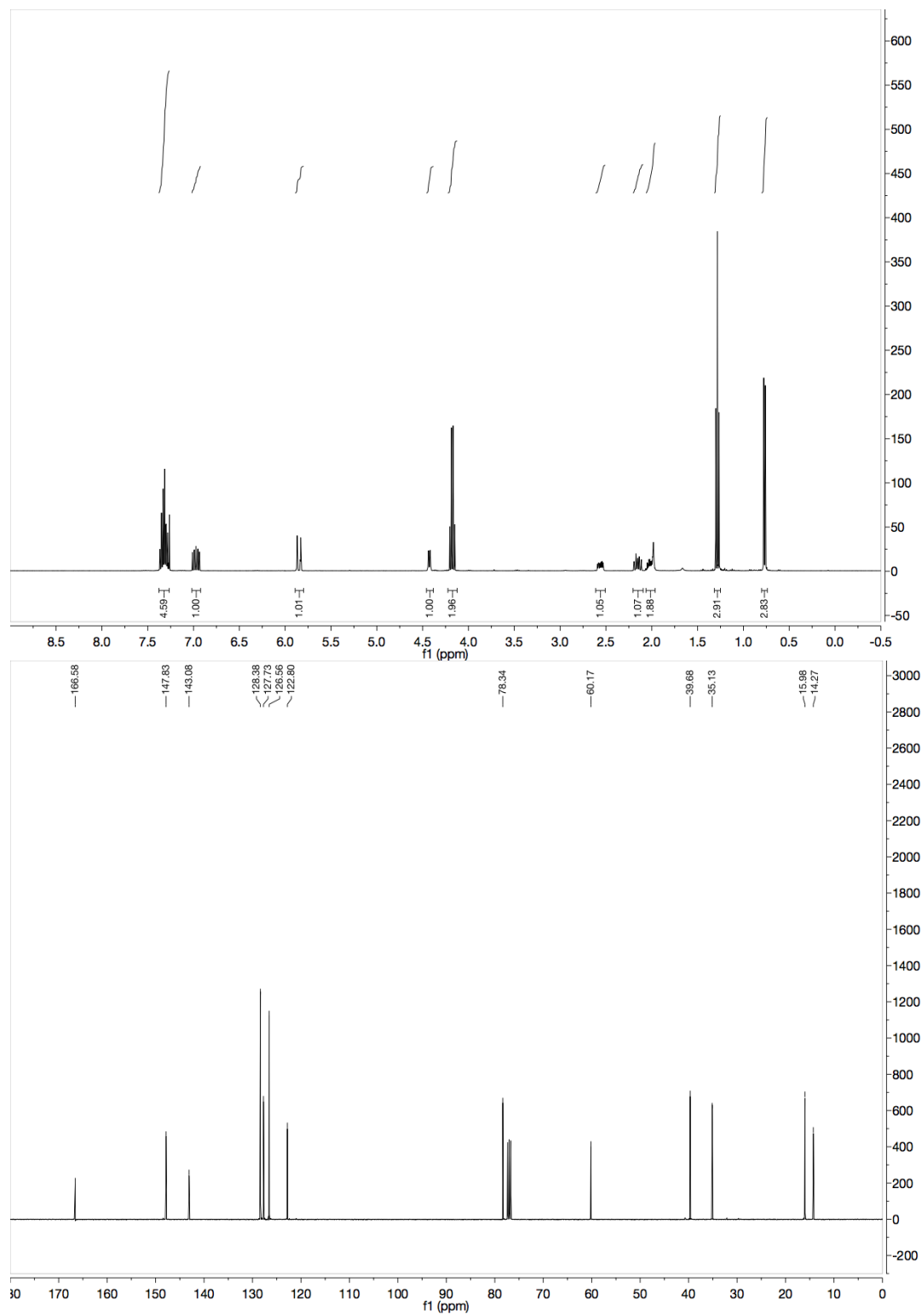
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 166.58, 147.83, 143.08, 128.38, 128.36, 127.73, 126.56, 122.80, 78.34, 60.17, 39.68, 35.13, 15.98, 14.27.

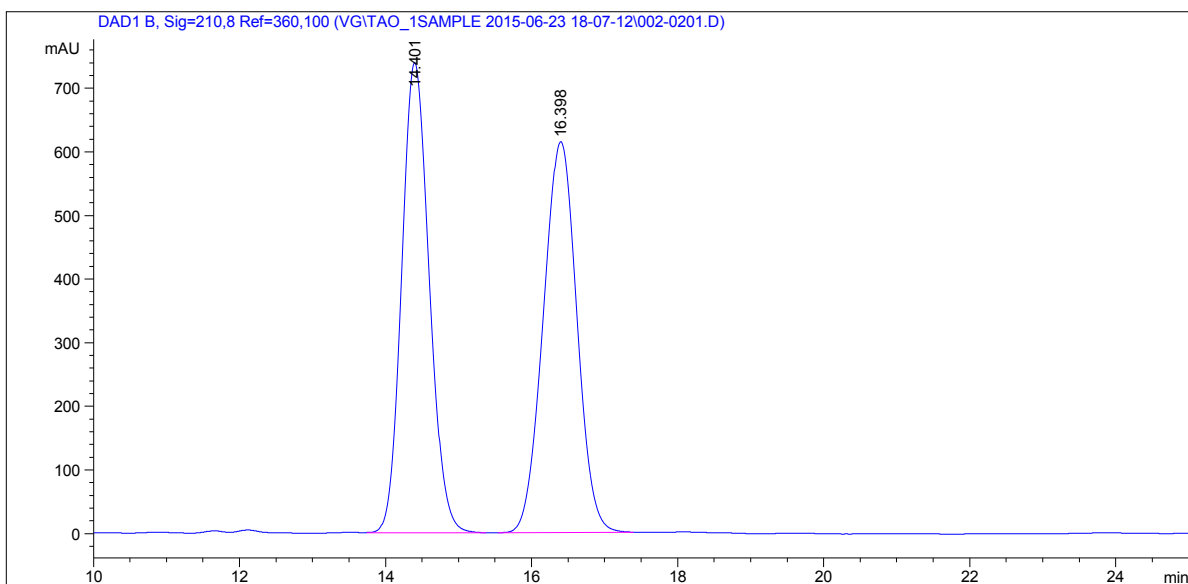
LRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₅H₂₁O₃ [M+H]⁺: 249, Found: 249.

FTIR (neat): 1699, 1651, 1311, 1270, 1172, 1041, 982, 762, 701 cm⁻¹.

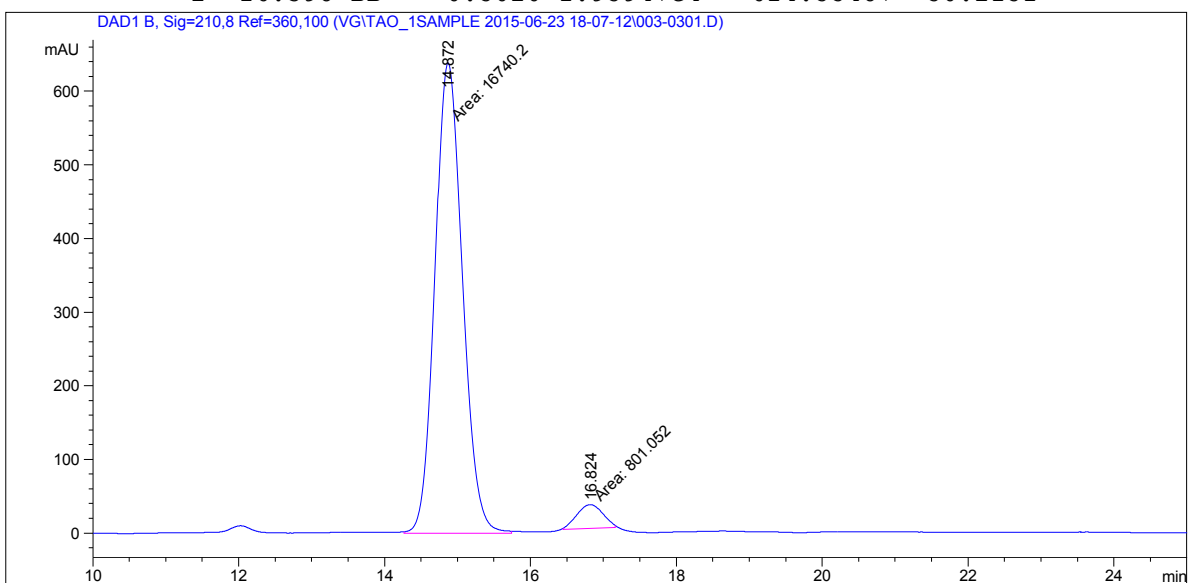
HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 91%.

[α]_D²⁵ = -11.3 (c = 1.2, CHCl₃)





Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	14.401	BB	0.4108	1.94268e4	738.85236	49.7849
2	16.398	BB	0.5020	1.95947e4	614.55487	50.2151



Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	14.872	MM	0.4368	1.67402e4	638.75323	95.4333
2	16.824	MM	0.4139	801.05170	32.25486	4.5667

Crystallographic Material for Coupling product 3.5c

X-ray Experimental for C₁₁H₁₅O₂Br (3.5c)

Crystals grew as clusters of clear, colorless prisms by slow evaporation from Ethyl Acetate and DCM. The data crystal was cut from a larger crystal and had approximate dimensions; 0.38 x 0.27 x 0.08 mm. The data were collected at -140 °C on a Nonius Kappa CCD diffractometer using a Bruker AXS Apex II detector and a graphite monochromator with MoK α radiation (λ = 0.71073Å). Reduced temperatures were maintained by use of an Oxford Cryosystems 600 low-temperature device. A total of 1011 frames of data were collected using ω and ϕ -scans with a scan range of 2° and a counting time of 48 seconds per frame. Details of crystal data, data collection and structure refinement are listed in Table 1. Data reduction were performed using SAINT V8.27B.¹⁴ The structure was solved by direct methods using SUPERFLIP¹⁵ and refined by full-matrix least-squares on F² with anisotropic displacement parameters for the non-H atoms using SHELXL-2013.¹⁶ Structure analysis was aided by use of the programs PLATON98¹⁷ and WinGX.¹⁸ The hydrogen atoms bound to carbon atoms were calculated in idealized positions. The hydrogen atoms on the hydroxyl oxygen atoms were observed in a ΔF map and refined with isotropic displacement parameters. The absolute structure was determined by the method of Flack.¹⁹ The Flack x parameter refined to 0.006(9). This assignment was confirmed by use of the Hooft y-parameter²⁰, which refined to 0.013(5).

The function, $\Sigma w(|F_o|^2 - |F_c|^2)^2$, was minimized, where $w = 1/[(\sigma(F_o))^2 + (0.0221 \cdot P)^2]$ and $P = (|F_o|^2 + 2|F_c|^2)/3$. $R_w(F^2)$ refined to 0.0506, with $R(F)$ equal to 0.0271 and a goodness of fit, S , = 1.01. Definitions used for calculating $R(F)$, $R_w(F^2)$ and the goodness of fit, S , are given below.²¹ The data were checked for secondary extinction but no correction was necessary. Neutral atom scattering factors and values used to calculate the linear absorption coefficient are from the International Tables for X-ray Crystallography (1992).²² All figures were generated using SHELXTL/PC.⁵ Tables of positional and thermal parameters, bond lengths and angles, torsion angles and figures are found elsewhere.

Table 3.4. Crystal data and structure refinement for **3.5c**.

Empirical formula	C ₁₁ H ₁₅ Br O ₂	
Formula weight	259.14	
Temperature	100(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	
Crystal system	monoclinic	
Space group	<i>P</i> 2 ₁	
Unit cell dimensions	<i>a</i> = 5.7323(12) Å	$\alpha = 90^\circ$.
	<i>b</i> = 7.920(2) Å	$\beta = 98.524(6)^\circ$.
	<i>c</i> = 12.149(2) Å	$\gamma = 90^\circ$.
Volume	545.5(2) Å ³	
Z	2	
Density (calculated)	1.578 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	3.740 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	264	
Crystal size	0.384 x 0.272 x 0.084 mm	
Theta range for data collection	3.081 to 33.184°.	
Index ranges	-8 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 8, -12 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 12, -17 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 18	
Reflections collected	24040	
Independent reflections	3850 [<i>R</i> (int) = 0.0432]	
Completeness to theta = 25.242°	99.6 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	
Max. and min. transmission	1.00 and 0.700	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on <i>F</i> ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	3850 / 1 / 137	
Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> ²	1.006	
Final <i>R</i> indices [<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)]	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0271, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.0487	
<i>R</i> indices (all data)	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0366, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.0506	
Absolute structure parameter	0.006(9)	
Extinction coefficient	n/a	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.666 and -0.452 e.Å ⁻³	

Table 3.5. Atomic coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for **3.5c**. $U(\text{eq})$ is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized U_{ij} tensor.

	x	y	z	$U(\text{eq})$
C1	8039(4)	5546(3)	3656(2)	14(1)
C2	8445(4)	4948(3)	2624(2)	15(1)
C3	6838(4)	3832(3)	2054(2)	14(1)
C4	4841(4)	3314(3)	2492(2)	12(1)
C5	4472(4)	3944(3)	3523(2)	14(1)
C6	6072(4)	5061(3)	4110(2)	15(1)
C7	3115(3)	2064(5)	1870(1)	13(1)
C8	4239(4)	335(3)	1754(2)	14(1)
C9	2425(4)	-909(3)	1157(2)	14(1)
C10	3389(4)	-2686(3)	1082(2)	16(1)
C11	5293(6)	-338(3)	2897(2)	33(1)
O1	2288(3)	2826(2)	807(1)	18(1)
O2	1669(3)	-3674(2)	387(1)	19(1)
Br1	10228(1)	7057(1)	4472(1)	21(1)

Table 3.6. Bond lengths [\AA] and angles [$^\circ$] for **3.5c**.

C1-C6	1.382(3)
C1-C2	1.391(3)
C1-Br1	1.903(2)
C2-C3	1.386(3)
C2-H2	0.95
C3-C4	1.394(3)
C3-H3	0.95
C4-C5	1.393(3)
C4-C7	1.519(3)
C5-C6	1.392(3)
C5-H5	0.95
C6-H6	0.95
C7-O1	1.441(3)
C7-C8	1.529(4)
C7-H7	1.00
C8-C11	1.526(3)
C8-C9	1.534(3)
C8-H8	1.00
C9-C10	1.520(3)
C9-H9A	0.99
C9-H9B	0.99
C10-O2	1.432(3)
C10-H10A	0.99
C10-H10B	0.99
C11-H11A	0.98
C11-H11B	0.98
C11-H11C	0.98
O1-H1O	0.81(3)
O2-H5O	0.78(3)
C6-C1-C2	121.36(19)
C6-C1-Br1	118.75(16)
C2-C1-Br1	119.89(17)
C3-C2-C1	118.7(2)

Table 3.6 Continued

C3-C2-H2	120.7
C1-C2-H2	120.7
C2-C3-C4	121.31(19)
C2-C3-H3	119.3
C4-C3-H3	119.3
C5-C4-C3	118.72(19)
C5-C4-C7	120.38(19)
C3-C4-C7	120.89(17)
C6-C5-C4	120.8(2)
C6-C5-H5	119.6
C4-C5-H5	119.6
C1-C6-C5	119.1(2)
C1-C6-H6	120.4
C5-C6-H6	120.4
O1-C7-C4	106.0(2)
O1-C7-C8	112.30(18)
C4-C7-C8	112.18(17)
O1-C7-H7	108.7
C4-C7-H7	108.7
C8-C7-H7	108.7
C11-C8-C7	110.12(17)
C11-C8-C9	110.78(18)
C7-C8-C9	110.71(17)
C11-C8-H8	108.4
C7-C8-H8	108.4
C9-C8-H8	108.4
C10-C9-C8	113.33(17)
C10-C9-H9A	108.9
C8-C9-H9A	108.9
C10-C9-H9B	108.9
C8-C9-H9B	108.9
H9A-C9-H9B	107.7
O2-C10-C9	108.45(17)
O2-C10-H10A	110.0

Table 3.6 Continued

C9-C10-H10A	110.0
O2-C10-H10B	110.0
C9-C10-H10B	110.0
H10A-C10-H10B	108.4
C8-C11-H11A	109.5
C8-C11-H11B	109.5
H11A-C11-H11B	109.5
C8-C11-H11C	109.5
H11A-C11-H11C	109.5
H11B-C11-H11C	109.5
C7-O1-H1O	110(2)
C10-O2-H5O	111(2)

Table 3.7. Anisotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for **3.5c**. The anisotropic displacement factor exponent takes the form: $-2p^2 [h^2 a^{*2} U^{11} + \dots + 2 h k a^* b^* U^{12}]$

	U11	U22	U33	U23	U13	U12
C1	12(1)	9(1)	17(1)	-2(1)	-6(1)	0(1)
C2	11(1)	16(1)	18(1)	0(1)	1(1)	0(1)
C3	17(1)	13(1)	12(1)	-3(1)	2(1)	2(1)
C4	11(1)	9(1)	14(1)	0(1)	-2(1)	2(1)
C5	14(1)	12(1)	16(1)	1(1)	2(1)	1(1)
C6	16(1)	16(1)	11(1)	-2(1)	0(1)	3(1)
C7	13(1)	11(1)	14(1)	-2(1)	-2(1)	-2(1)
C8	15(1)	9(1)	15(1)	0(1)	-4(1)	1(1)
C9	15(1)	10(1)	17(1)	-2(1)	-3(1)	0(1)
C10	15(1)	14(2)	19(1)	0(1)	-4(1)	-1(1)
C11	51(2)	14(1)	26(1)	1(1)	-23(1)	-2(1)
O1	20(1)	10(1)	20(1)	3(1)	-11(1)	-2(1)
O2	21(1)	7(1)	25(1)	-2(1)	-9(1)	0(1)
Br1	16(1)	18(1)	26(1)	-8(1)	-6(1)	-2(1)

Table 3.8. Hydrogen coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for **3.5c**.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
H2	9796	5298	2317	18
H3	7103	3412	1351	17
H5	3113	3607	3829	17
H6	5813	5484	4814	18
H7	1748	1925	2287	16
H8	5541	470	1297	16
H9A	1043	-950	1558	17
H9B	1876	-487	396	17
H10A	4880	-2653	762	20
H10B	3718	-3194	1833	20
H11A	4023	-570	3334	50
H11B	6367	506	3283	50
H11C	6164	-1381	2807	50
H1O	1210(50)	2280(50)	490(20)	33(8)
H5O	1900(60)	-4640(40)	480(30)	32(9)

Table 3.9. Torsion angles [°] for **3.5c**.

C6-C1-C2-C3	-0.6(3)
Br1-C1-C2-C3	179.19(16)
C1-C2-C3-C4	0.3(3)
C2-C3-C4-C5	0.1(3)
C2-C3-C4-C7	-178.8(2)
C3-C4-C5-C6	-0.4(3)
C7-C4-C5-C6	178.6(2)
C2-C1-C6-C5	0.3(3)
Br1-C1-C6-C5	-179.43(16)
C4-C5-C6-C1	0.2(3)
C5-C4-C7-O1	122.3(2)
C3-C4-C7-O1	-58.8(3)
C5-C4-C7-C8	-114.8(2)
C3-C4-C7-C8	64.1(3)
O1-C7-C8-C11	174.6(2)
C4-C7-C8-C11	55.3(3)
O1-C7-C8-C9	-62.6(2)
C4-C7-C8-C9	178.12(17)
C11-C8-C9-C10	-53.8(3)
C7-C8-C9-C10	-176.23(19)
C8-C9-C10-O2	-172.37(17)

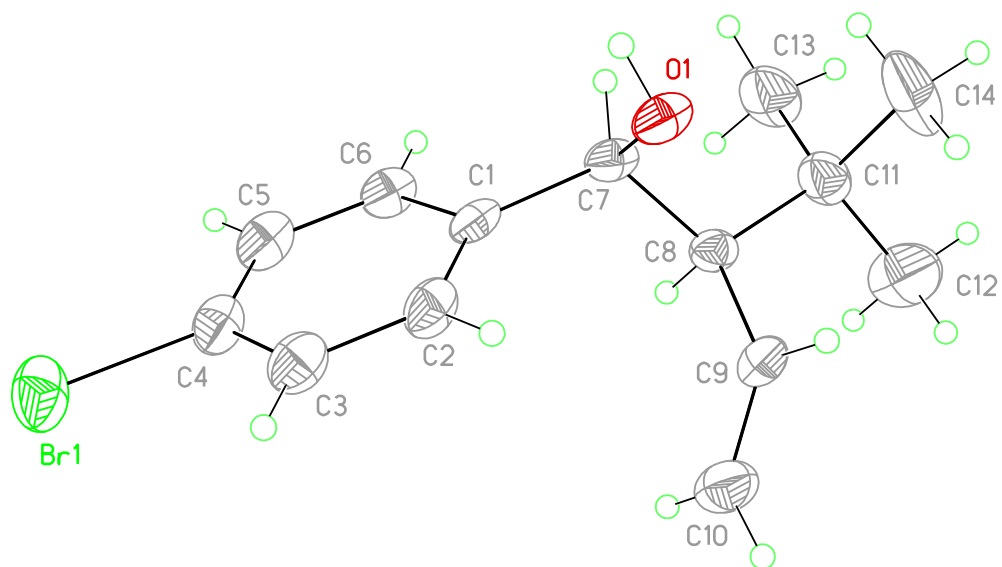
Table 3.10. Hydrogen bonds for **3.5c** [\AA and $^\circ$].

D-H...A	d(D-H)	d(H...A)	d(D...A)	$\angle(\text{DHA})$
O1-H1O...O2#1	0.81(3)	1.98(3)	2.772(2)	170(4)
O2-H5O...O1#2	0.78(3)	2.05(3)	2.832(2)	175(3)

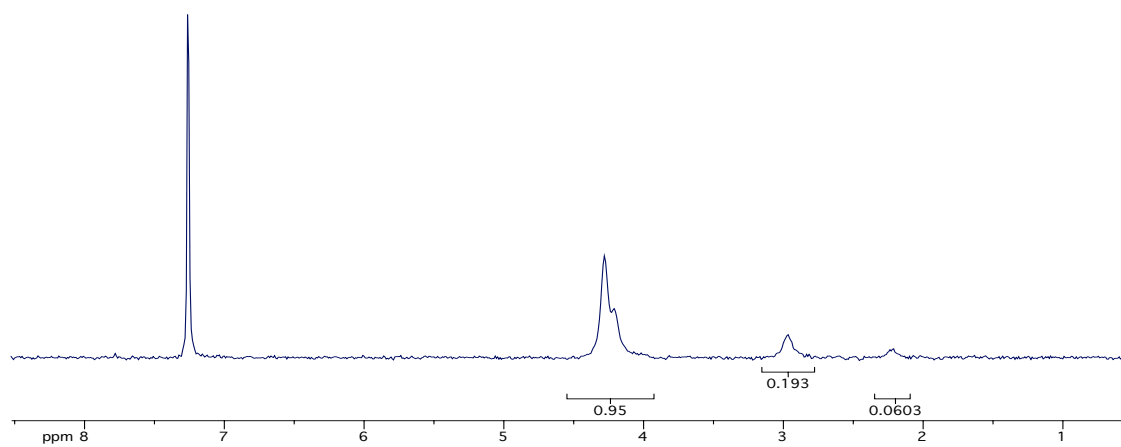
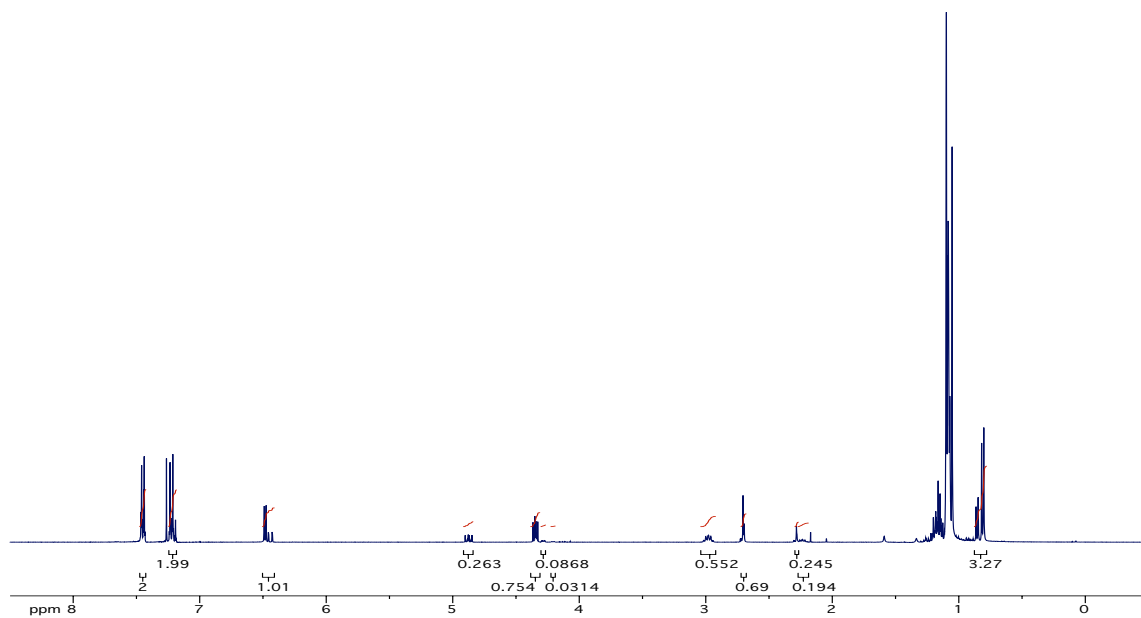
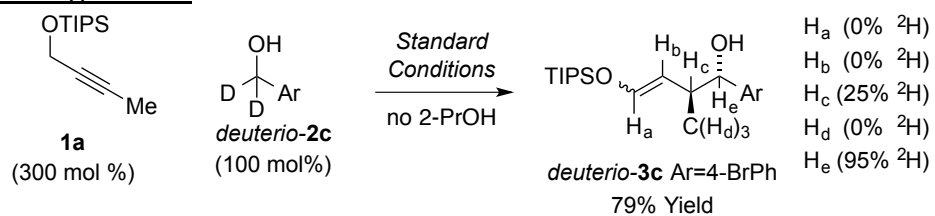
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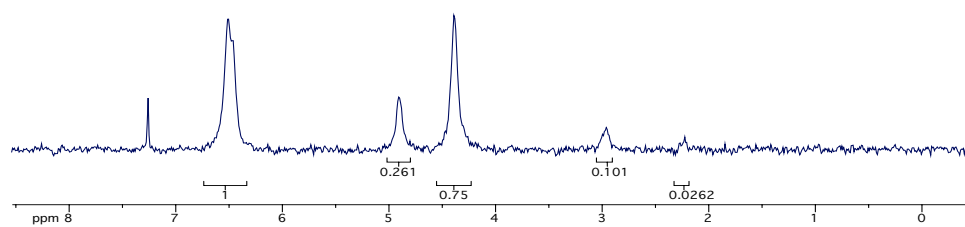
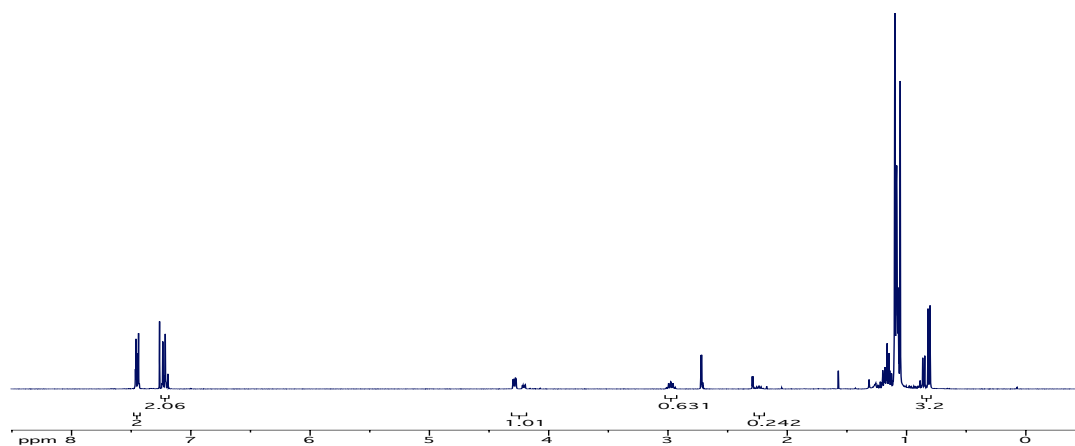
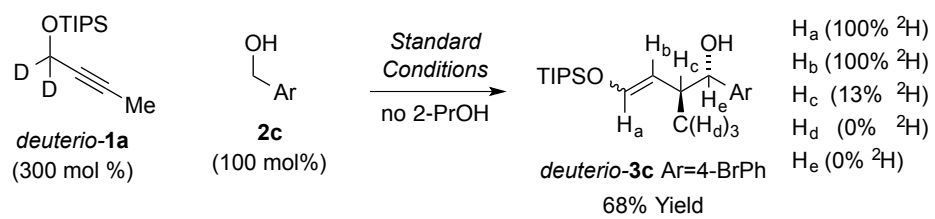
#1 $-x, y+1/2, -z$ #2 $x, y-1, z$

Figure 3.2. View of **3.5c** showing the atom labeling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are scaled to the 50% probability level.



Isotopic Labeling Studies





Chapter 4: Iridium Catalyzed (*Z*) - Selective Siloxy-Allylation of Primary Alcohols by Coupling with Terminal Propargyl Ether via 1,2 - Hydride Shift Mechanism*

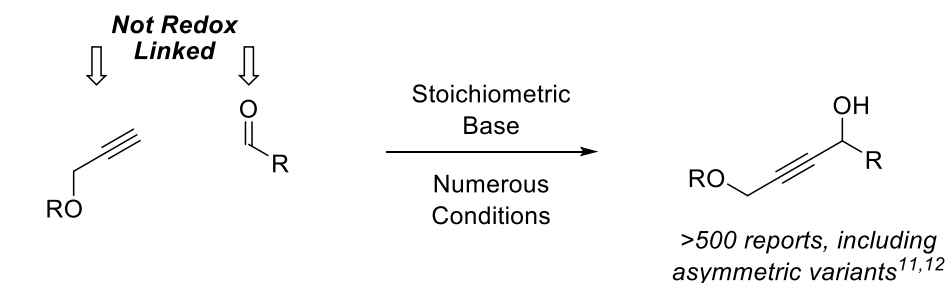
4.1 INTRODUCTION

Carbonyl addition is broadly used in chemical synthesis to construct new C-C bonds.¹ To come up with an alternative way of using organometallic reagents and metallic reductants, Krische group has developed a broad system of redox-triggered carbonyl addition reactions by merging carbonyl addition and transfer hydrogenation, which allows the direct conversion of primary alcohols to secondary alcohols.² Different π -unsaturated compounds were proved to be able to engage the carbonyl addition reactions, and many of them are abundant chemical feedstocks, such as butadiene³ and allyl acetate.⁴

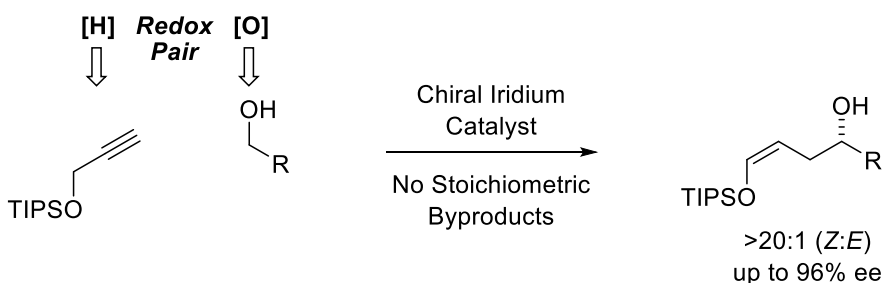
In recent work from the group, internal alkynes were found to engage in the carbonyl allylation reactions serving as pronucleophiles by different mechanisms.^{5,6,7} One possible mechanism was proceeding through alkyne-to-allen isomerization followed by either oxidative coupling⁵ or hydrometalation⁶ pathways. The other possible mechanism was involving 1,2-hydride shift enabled formation of π -allylmetal species directly from alkynes.⁷ In this chapter, we reported that terminal alkyne, unsubstituted propargyl ether **4.1a**, mediated (*Z*)-selective carbonyl siloxy-allylation via 1,2-hydride shift mechanism. This protocol represented the divergence from the classical acetylide carbonyl addition reactions^{8,9}, and allowed formation of homoenolate equivalents^{10,11} from propargyl ethers; also demonstrated the generality of 1,2-hydride shift mechanism for the formation of π -allylmetal species in the context of transition metal catalysis (Figure 4.1).

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Classical Carbonyl Addition Chemistry of Terminal Alkynes



This Work: Iridium Catalyzed Siloxy-Allylation



Mechanism: Hydride Shift Enabled π -Allyl Formation

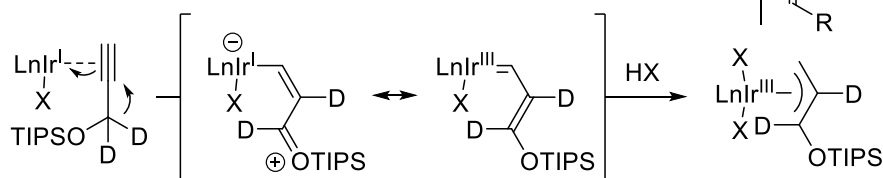


Figure 4.1 Enantioselective Carbonyl Crotylation Strategies.

4.2 REACTION DEVELOPMENT AND SCOPE

Exposure of propargyl ether **4.1a** to p-bromobenzyl alcohol **4.2c** with 2.5 mol% $[\text{Ir}(\text{cod})\text{Cl}]_2$ and 5 mol% (R)-BINAP in toluene at 95°C gave the desired γ -hydroxy enol silane **4.3c** with complete (Z)-selectivity in 14% yield and 87% enantiomeric excess (Table 4.1, entry 1). Introduction of catalytic amount of Bu_4NI was found to be helpful in improving both yield and ee (Table 4.1, entry 2). Catalytic amount of $\text{Ph}_3\text{CCO}_2\text{H}$ was found to have a beneficial effect on the conversion (Table 4.1, entry 3). By combining Bu_4NI and $\text{Ph}_3\text{CCO}_2\text{H}$, 47% yield and 90% ee was obtained (Table 4.1, entry 4). The conversion was further improved to 86% yield with 91% ee by

Table 4.1 Selective Optimization for Formation of γ -Hydroxy Enol Silane **4.3c**.

Entry	4.1	Ligand	Bu ₄ NI	Ph ₃ CCO ₂ H	3c (Yield, Z:E)	ee%
1	4.1a, 300 mol%	(R)-BINAP	-	-	14%, >20:1	87
2	4.1a, 300 mol%	(R)-BINAP	10 mol%	-	21%, >20:1	92
3	4.1a, 300 mol%	(R)-BINAP	-	5 mol%	23%, >20:1	87
4	4.1a, 300 mol%	(R)-BINAP	10 mol%	5 mol%	47%, >20:1	90
5	4.1a, 300 mol%	(R)-H ₈ -BINAP	10 mol%	5 mol%	55%, >20:1	91
6	4.1a, 400 mol%	(R)-BINAP	10 mol%	5 mol%	64%, >20:1	93
⇒ 7	4.1a, 400 mol%	(R)-H ₈ -BINAP	10 mol%	5 mol%	86%, >20:1	91
8	4.1a, 400 mol%	(R)-H ₈ -BINAP	10 mol%	-	38%, >20:1	88
9	4.1a, 400 mol%	(R)-H ₈ -BINAP	-	5 mol%	58%, >20:1	85
10	4.1a, 400 mol%	(R)-SEGPHOS	10 mol%	5 mol%	30%, >20:1	96
11	4.1a, 400 mol%	(R)-MeO-BIPHEP	10 mol%	5 mol%	47%, >20:1	94
12	4.1a, 400 mol%	(R)-C3-TUNEPHOS	10 mol%	5 mol%	32%, >20:1	91
13	4.1a, 400 mol%	(R)-BIPHEMP	10 mol%	5 mol%	48%, >20:1	86
14 ^b	4.1a, 400 mol%	(R)-H ₈ -BINAP	-	5 mol%	83%, >20:1	84
15	4.1b, 400 mol%	(R)-H ₈ -BINAP	10 mol%	5 mol%	36%, >20:1	90
16	4.1c, 400 mol%	(R)-H ₈ -BINAP	10 mol%	5 mol%	56%, >20:1	91

(R)-BINAP	(R)-H ₈ -BINAP	(R)-BIPHEMP
(R)-SEGPHOS	(R)-C3-TUNEPHOS	(R)-MeO-BIPHEP

^aYields are of material isolated by silica gel chromatography. See supporting Information for further details. ^b[Ir(cod)I]₂

using (R)-H₈-BINAP and higher loading of propargyl ether **4.1a** (Table 4.1, entry 7). Other chiral ligands within structural neighborhood were also evaluated (Table 4.1, entries 10-13), even though in some cases higher enantioselectivity was obtained but the yield was not relatively low comparing with (R)-H₈-BINAP. Notably, when [Ir(cod)I]₂ was used in the absence of Bu₄NI, similar isolation yield was obtained, which suggested the role of Bu₄NI involved in the formation of iodide modified iridium catalyst (Table 4.1, entry 14).

With the optimal conditions in hand, different primary alcohols were subjected to coupling with propargyl ether **4.1a**. Benzyl alcohols **4.2a-4.2f** were converted to (*Z*)- γ -hydroxy enol silane **4.3a-4.3f** in excellent yield and uniformly high level of enantioselectivity. Different substituents positions were tolerated in the transformation. Allylic alcohols **4.2g-4.2i** were able to engage in the coupling with propargyl ether **4.1a** with good isolation yield and excellent enantioselectivity. Also, aliphatic alcohols **4.2j-4.2l** were successfully converted to the adduct **4.3j-4.3l** with slightly lower yields but still complete (*Z*)-selectivity and high enantioselectivity.

The absolute stereochemical structure of adduct **4.3a-4.3l** was confirmed by subjecting **4.3a** to silyl group cleavage followed by reduction to form (*S*)-1-phenylbutane-1,4-diol, which is a previous reported compound.

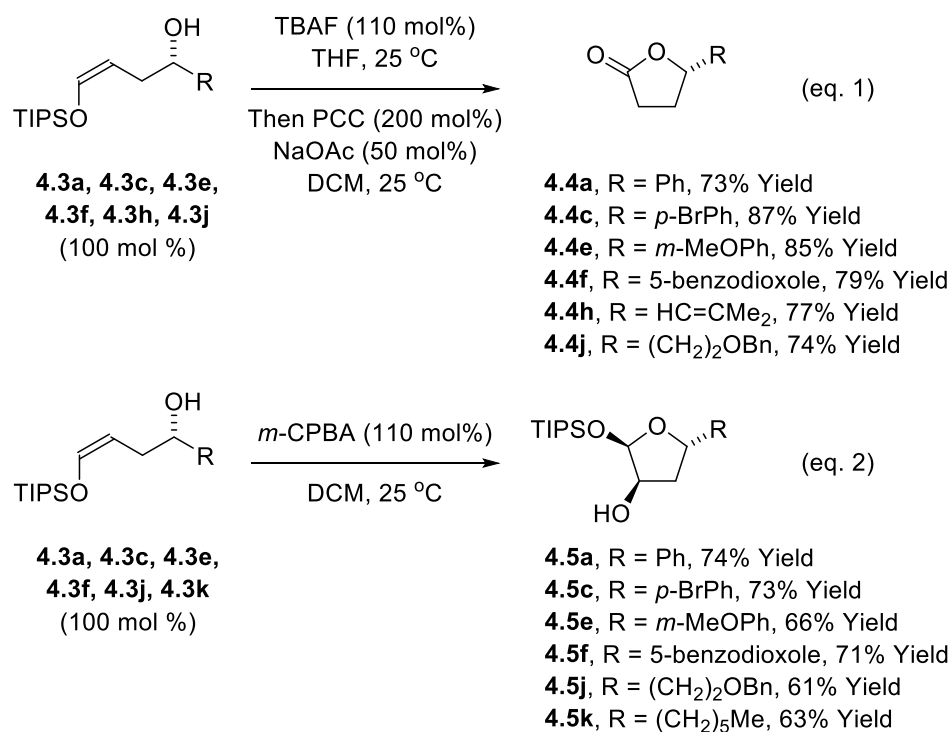
To demonstrate the utility of this protocol, the coupling adducts γ -hydroxy enol silanes **4.3a**, **4.3c**, **4.3e**, **4.3h**, and **4.3j** were converted to enantiomeric enriched γ -lactones **4.4a**, **4.4c**, **4.4e**, **4.4h**, and **4.4j** by treatment of TBAF to remove the TIPS group followed by PCC mediated oxidation (Scheme 4.1, eq 1). Additionally, *m*-CPBA mediated epoxidation of adducts **4.3a**, **4.3c**, **4.3e**, **4.3f**, **4.3j**, and **4.3k** occurred in a highly diastereoselective manner and delivered the trisubstituted furans **4.5a**, **4.5c**, **4.5e**, **4.5f**, **4.5j**, and **4.5k** (Scheme 4.1, eq 2).

Table 4.2 Iridium Catalyzed Formation of γ -Hydroxy Enol Silanes **4.3a-4.3l**.

4.1a (400 mol %)	4.2a-4.2l (100 mol %)	4.3a-4.3l
4.2a , R = Ph	4.2b , R = 4-MePh	4.2c , R = 4-BrPh
4.2d , R = 2-MePh	4.2e , R = 3-MeOPh	4.2f , R = 5-benzodioxole
4.2g , R = HC=CHPh	4.2h , R = HC=CMe ₂	4.2i , R = HC=CCH ₂ OBn
4.2j , R = (CH ₂) ₂ OBn	4.2k , R = (CH ₂) ₅ Me	4.2l , R = <i>c</i> -Pr
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<p>4.3a, 93% Yield >20:1 (Z:E), 94% ee</p>	<p>4.3b, 84% Yield >20:1 (Z:E), 95% ee</p>	<p>4.3c, 86% Yield >20:1 (Z:E), 91% ee</p>
<p>4.3d, 85% Yield >20:1 (Z:E), 95% ee</p>	<p>4.3e, 94% Yield >20:1 (Z:E), 95% ee</p>	<p>4.3f, 91% Yield >20:1 (Z:E), 94% ee</p>
<p>4.3g, 78% Yield >20:1 (Z:E), 94% ee</p>	<p>4.3h, 67% Yield >20:1 (Z:E), 96% ee</p>	<p>4.3i, 75% Yield >20:1 (Z:E), 92% ee</p>
<p>4.3j, 68% Yield^b >20:1 (Z:E), 85% ee</p>	<p>4.3k, 64% Yield^b >20:1 (Z:E), 90% ee</p>	<p>4.3l, 63% Yield^b >20:1 (Z:E), 95% ee</p>

^aYields are material isolated by silica gel chromatography. See supporting Information for further experimental details. ^bAdamantane carboxylic acid was used instead of Ph₃CCO₂H.

Scheme 4.1 Elaboration of Coupling Adducts to Form γ -Lactones and Furans.

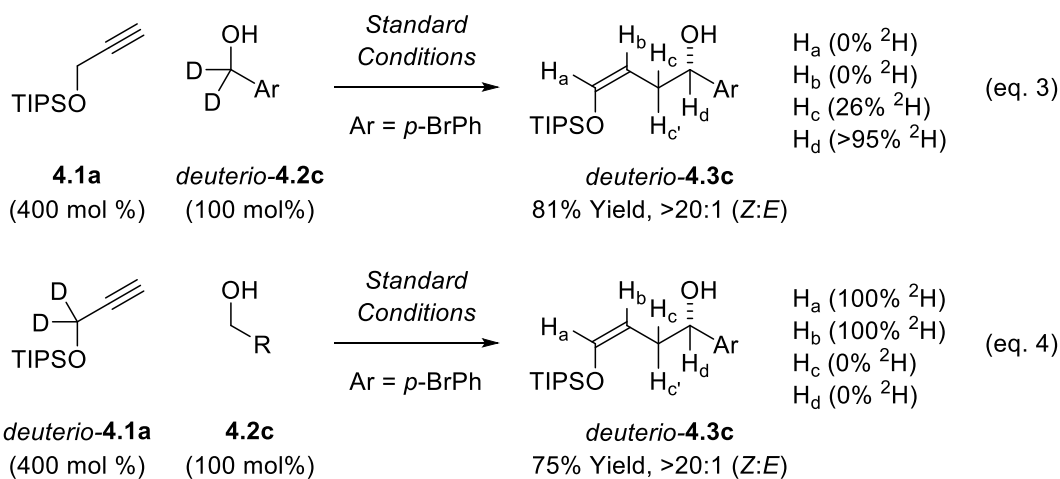


4.3 MECHANISM AND DISCUSSION

Deuterium labeling experiments were conducted to confirm the reaction mechanism. When propargyl ether **4.1a** was treated with *deuterio*-**4.2c** under the standard conditions, deuterium was observed at the allylic (H_c) and carbinol (H_d) positions (Scheme 4.2, eq 3). When *deuterio*-**4.1a** was treated with *p*-bromobenzyl alcohol **4.2c** under standard conditions, complete deuterium incorporation was observed at both vinylic (H_a and H_b) positions (Scheme 4.2, eq 4).

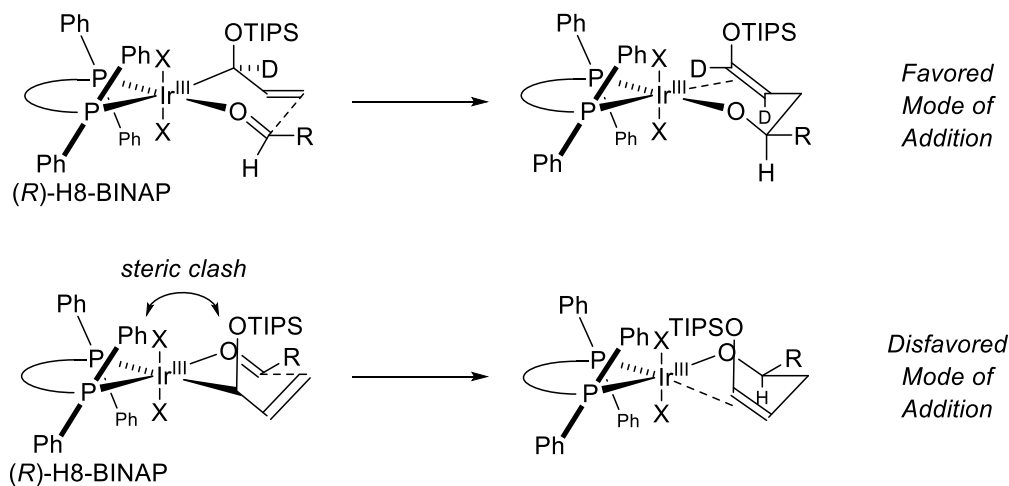
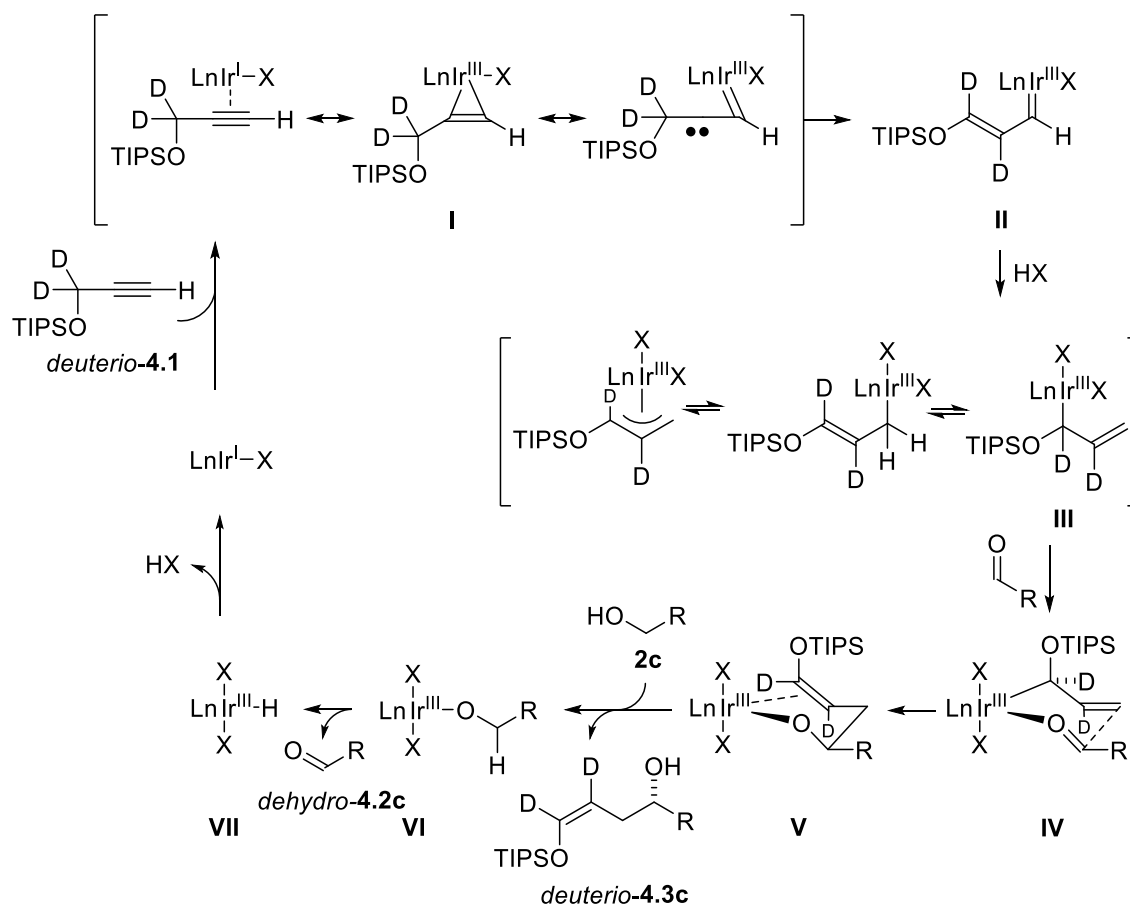
These data clearly indicated the catalytic mechanism via 1,2-hydride shift to form π -allyliridium species (Scheme 4.3). Coordination of alkyne to the low-valent iridium(I) induced 1,2-hydride shift to form vinylcarbene **II**. It is worth mentioning that the $n \rightarrow \sigma^*$ interaction between oxygen lone pair with the propargylic C-H bond is crucial in promoting

Scheme 4.2 Deuterium Labelling Experiments to Probe Reaction Mechanism.



1,2-hydride shift. Protonation of vinylcarbene **II** gave the siloxyallyliridium intermediate **III**. Coordination of aldehyde, formed *in situ*, to siloxyallyliridium **III** triggered the carbonyl addition via closed transition structure to form homoallylic iridium alkoxide **V**. Protonolysis of iridium alkoxide **V** by reactant alcohol released the λ-hydroxyl enol silane and formed iridium alkoxide **VI**, which went through β-hydride elimination to generate aldehyde and iridium hydride species **VII**. Finally, reductive elimination of HX closed the catalytic cycle. A stereochemical model was proposed to rationalize the absolute stereoselective (Scheme 4.3).

Scheme 4.3 Proposed Iridium Catalyzed Carbonyl Siloxy-Crotylation Catalytic Cycle.



4.4 CONCLUSION

In summary, iridium catalyzed coupling of terminal propargyl ether **4.1a** with primary alcohols to form γ -hydroxyl enol silanes with complete (Z)-selectivity and high enantioselectivity was reported. According to the deuterium labeling studies, 1,2-hydride shift mechanism was proposed in the catalytic cycle. This protocol expanded the scope for the π -unsaturated compounds in redox-triggered carbonyl allylation reactions, as well as represented the departure from classic carbonyl addition of terminal alkynes.

4.5 EXPERIMENTAL DETAILS

General Information

All reactions were run under an atmosphere of argon, unless otherwise indicated. Resealable pressure tubes (13x100 mm) were purchased from Fischer Scientific (catalog number 14-959-35C) and were flame dried followed by cooling in a desiccator or under a stream of argon prior to use. Tetrahydrofuran (THF) was dried over sodium metal, benzophenone, and distilled immediately prior to use. $\text{RuH}_2(\text{PPh}_3)_3$ were prepared according to literature procedure.¹ All ligands were used as received from Strem Chemicals Inc. Alcohols were purified by distillation or recrystallization immediately prior to use. Preparative column chromatography employing Silicycle silica gel (40-63 μm) was performed according to the method of Still.² Analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was carried out using 0.25 mm commercial silica gel plates (Dynamic Absorbents F254). Visualization was accomplished with UV light followed by dipping in Seebach's stain solution then heating. Purification of reactions was carried out by flash chromatography using Silicycle silica gel (40-63 μm).

Spectroscopy, Spectrometry, and Data Collection

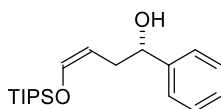
Infrared spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 1600 spectrometer. Low-resolution mass spectra (LRMS) were obtained on a Karatos MS9 and are reported as m/z (relative intensity). Accurate masses are reported for the molecular ion ($M+H$, $M+Na$), or a suitable fragment ion. Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (1H NMR) spectra were recorded with a Varian Gemini (400 MHz) spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported in delta (δ) units, parts per million (ppm) downfield from tetramethylsilane or ppm relative to the center of the singlet at 7.26 ppm for deuteriochloroform. Data reported as multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet). Integration and coupling constants were reported in Hertz (Hz). Carbon-13 nuclear magnetic resonance (^{13}C NMR) spectra were recorded with a Varian Gemini (100 MHz) spectrometer and were routinely run with broadband decoupling. Chemical shifts are reported in delta (δ) units, ppm relative to the center of the triplet at 77.16 ppm for deuteriochloroform.

Experimental Details and Spectral Data

General Procedure for the Couplings of Alcohols **4.2a-4.2l and **4.1a****

To a resealable pressure tube (13x100) was added [Ir(cod)Cl]₂ (3.4mg, 0.005 mmol, 2.5 mol%), (*R*)-H₈BINAP (6.3 mg, 0.010 mmol, 5 mol%), Bu₄NI (7.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 10 mol%), triphenylacetic acid (2.9 mg, 0.010 mmol, 5 mol%). At this stage solid alcohol coupling partners (0.20 mmol, 100 mol%) were added. The tube was sealed with a rubber septum and purged with argon. Toluene (0.20 mL, 1 M) was added to the reaction vessel. At this stage, liquid alcohol coupling partners (0.20 mmol, 100 mol%) were added. Propargyl ether **4.1a** (0.80 mmol, 400 mol%) was added to the reaction vessel and the rubber septum was replaced with a screw cap. The mixture was heated at 95 °C for 24 hours, at which point the reaction mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature. The solvents were removed *in vacuo* and the residue was subjected to column chromatography (SiO₂).

(*S,Z*)-1-phenyl-4-((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)but-3-en-1-ol (4.3a).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 93% yield (59.5 mg, 0.186 mmol, *Z:E* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 6% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f=0.6 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.41 – 7.30 (m, 4H), 7.28 – 7.23 (m, 1H), 6.45 (dt, *J* = 5.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.78 – 4.72 (m, 1H), 4.47 (td, *J* = 7.5, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 2.67 – 2.49 (m, 2H), 2.46 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 1.20 – 1.12 (m, 3H), 1.09 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 18H).

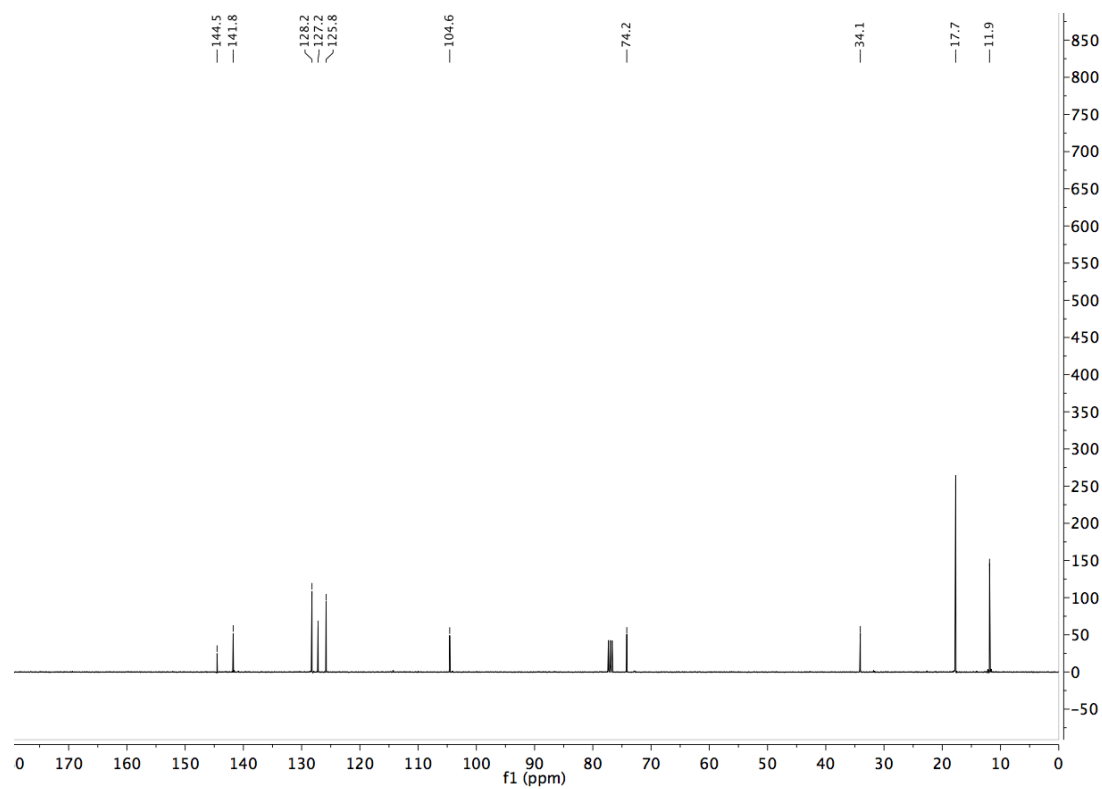
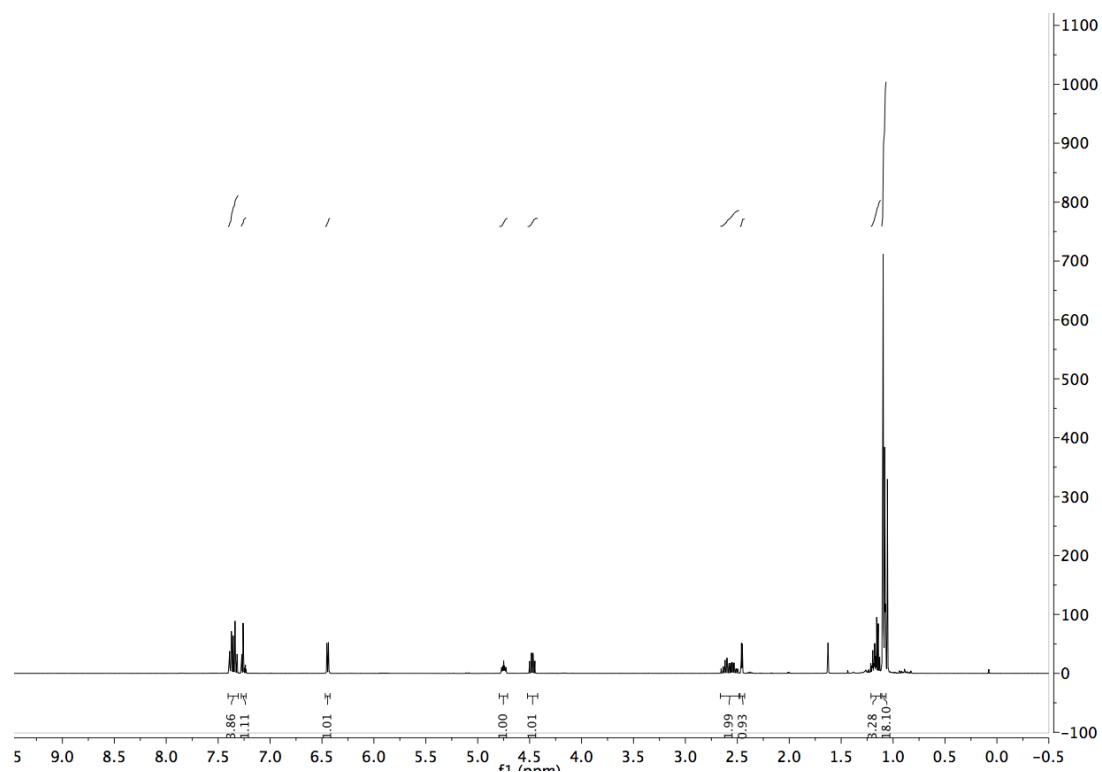
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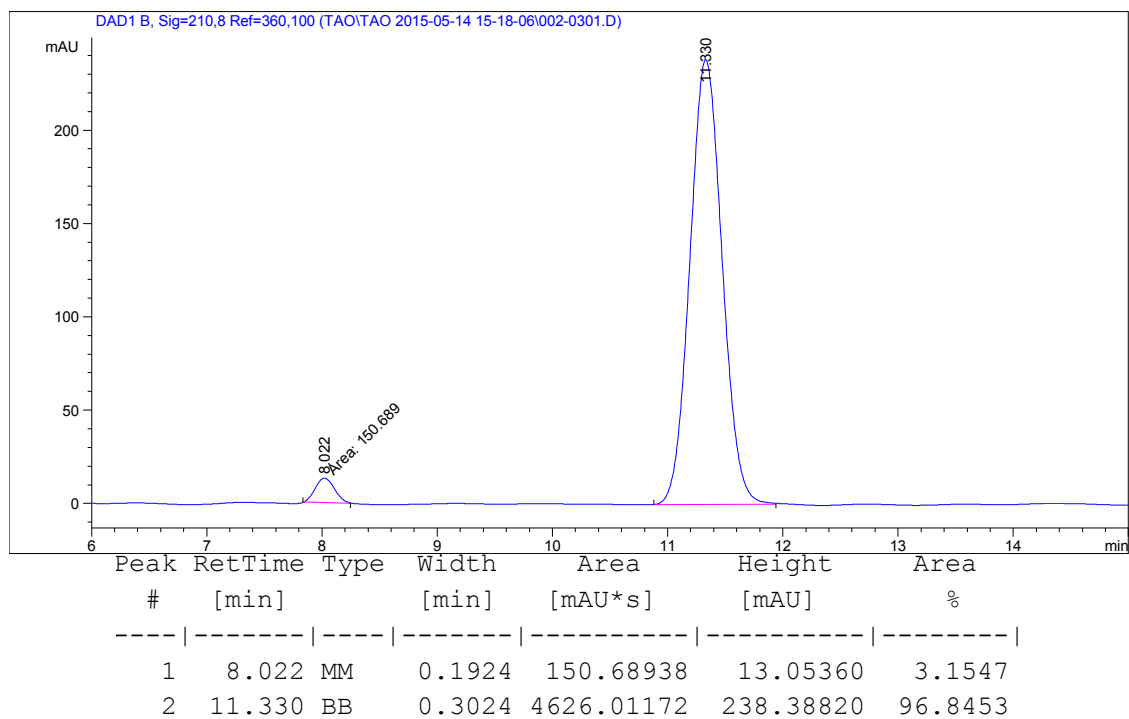
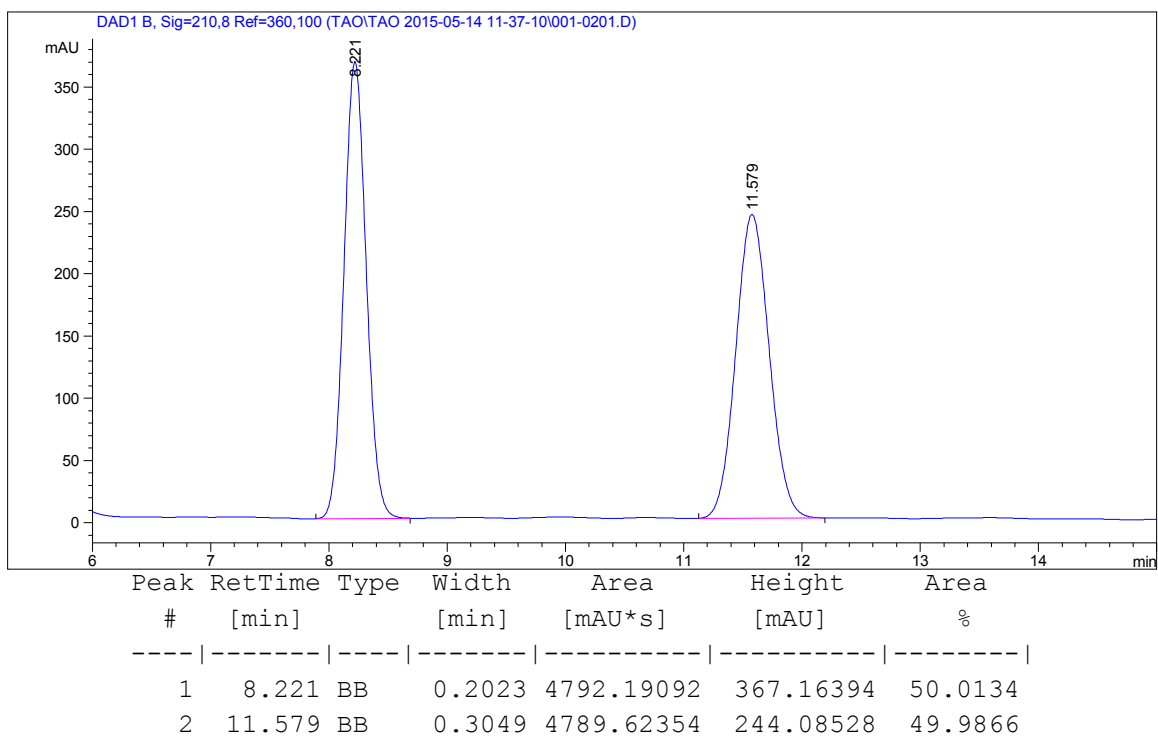
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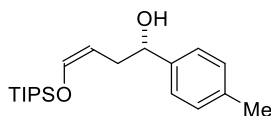
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[α]_D²⁸ = 25.7 (c = 0.92, CHCl₃)





(S,Z)-1-(p-tolyl)-4-((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)but-3-en-1-ol (4.3b).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 84% yield (56.1 mg, 0.168 mmol, *Z:E* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 7% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.6 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.27 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 6.43 (dt, *J* = 5.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.74 – 4.69 (m, 1H), 4.47 (td, *J* = 7.5, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 2.67 – 2.56 (m, 1H), 2.56 – 2.47 (m, 1H), 2.35 (s, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 1.20 – 1.12 (m, 3H), 1.09 (d, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 18H).

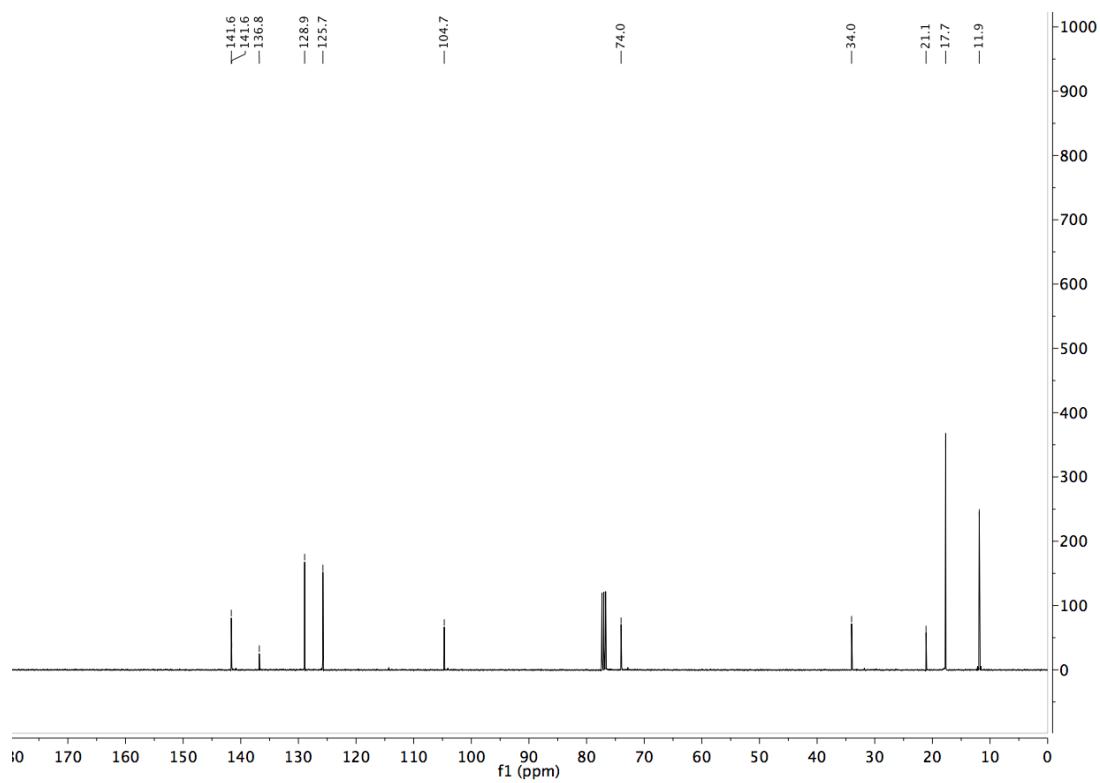
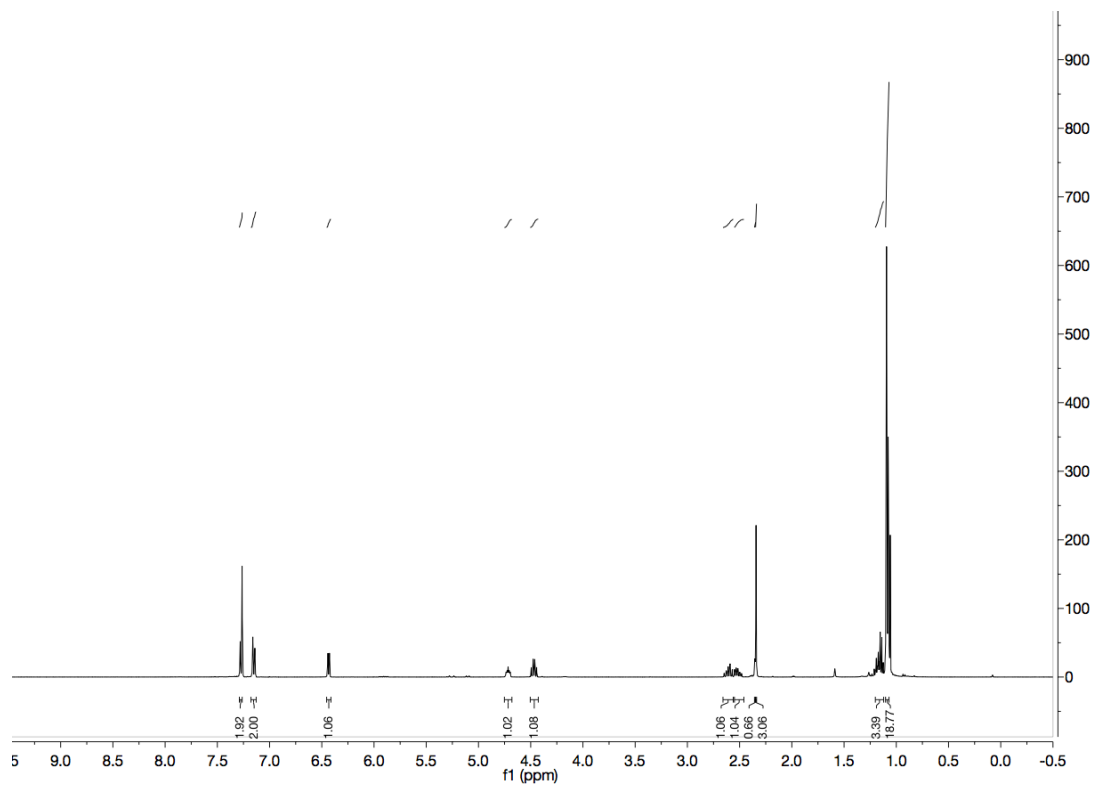
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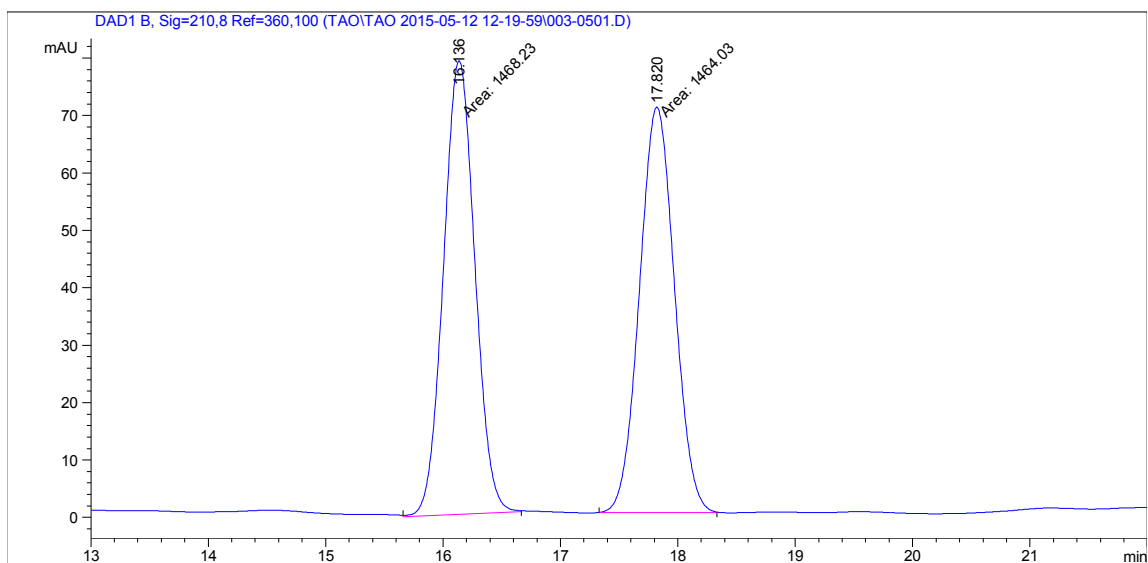
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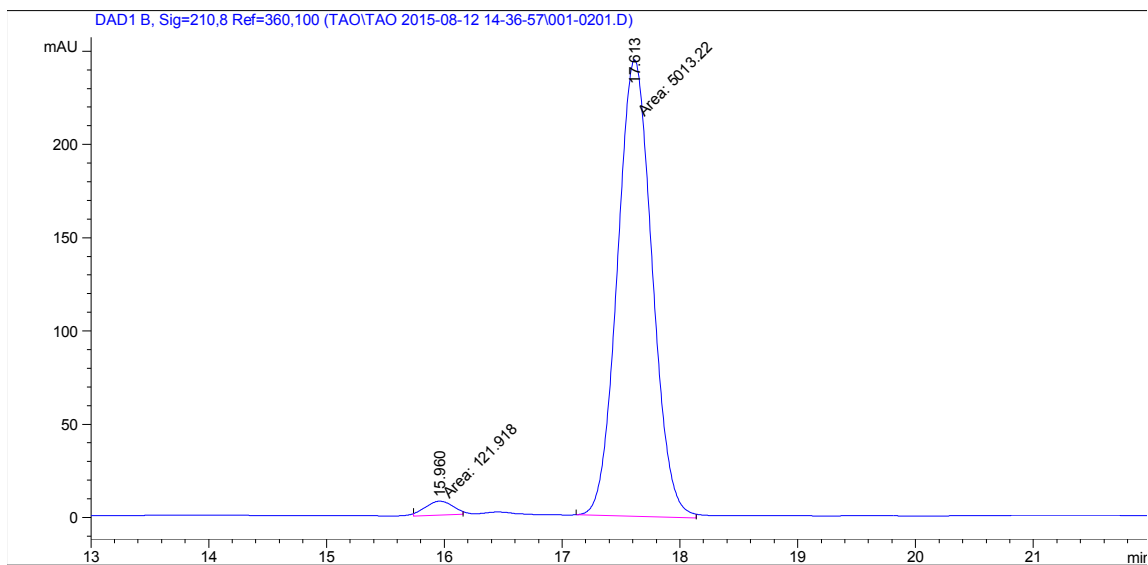
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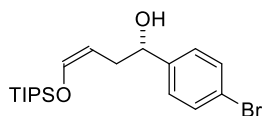


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(S,Z)-1-(4-bromophenyl)-4-((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)but-3-en-1-ol (4.3c).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 86% yield (68.5 mg, 0.172 mmol, *Z:E* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 7% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.55 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

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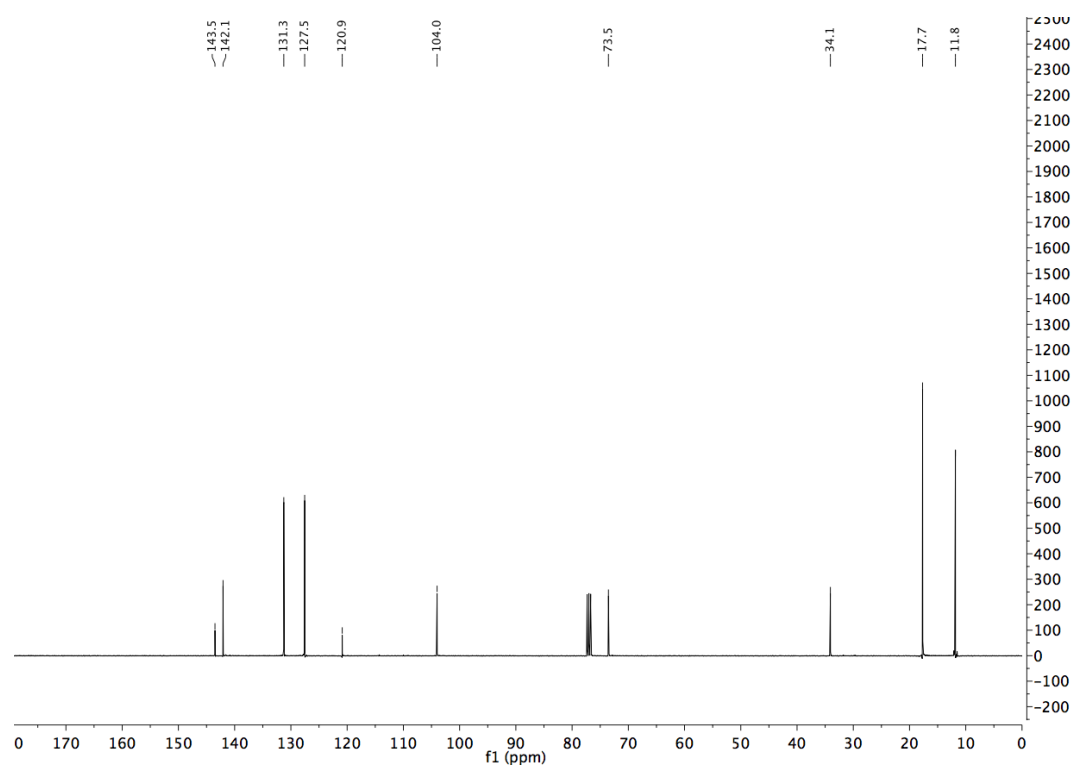
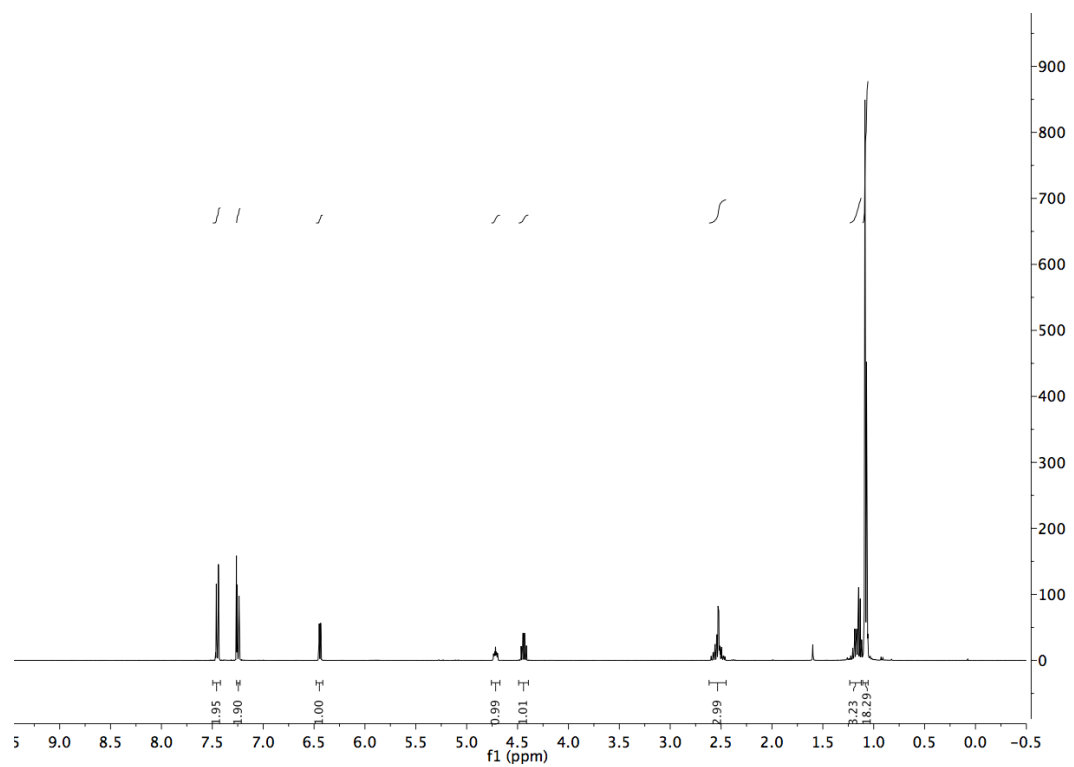
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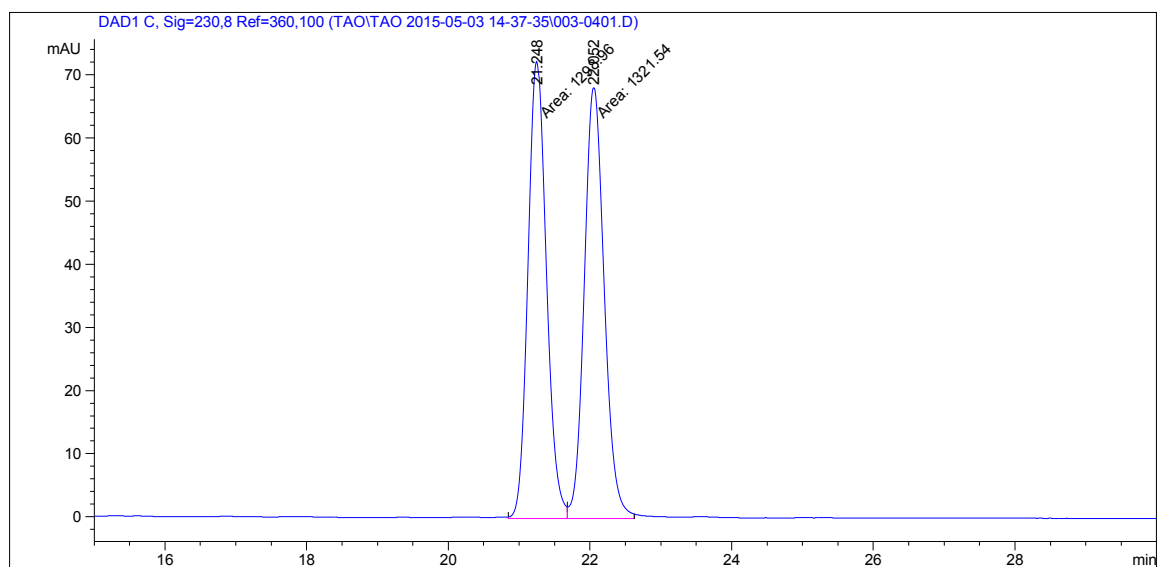
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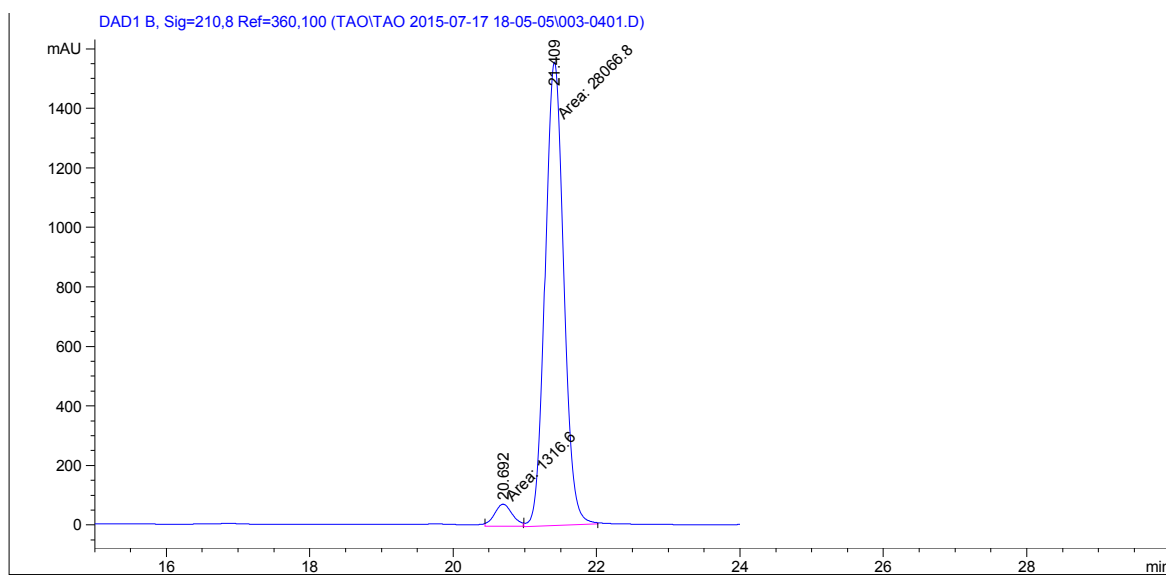
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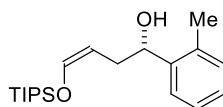


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(*S,Z*)-1-(*o*-tolyl)-4-((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)but-3-en-1-ol (4.3d).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 85% yield (56.8 mg, 0.17 mmol, *Z:E* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 5% EtOAc/hexanes).

***R*_f** = 0.5 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.53 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (td, *J* = 7.4, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (td, *J* = 7.3, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.14 – 7.10 (m, 1H), 6.46 (dt, *J* = 5.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 5.00 – 4.94 (m, 1H), 4.52 (td, *J* = 7.5, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 2.60 – 2.49 (m, 2H), 2.37 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 1.20 – 1.13 (m, 3H), 1.09 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 18H).

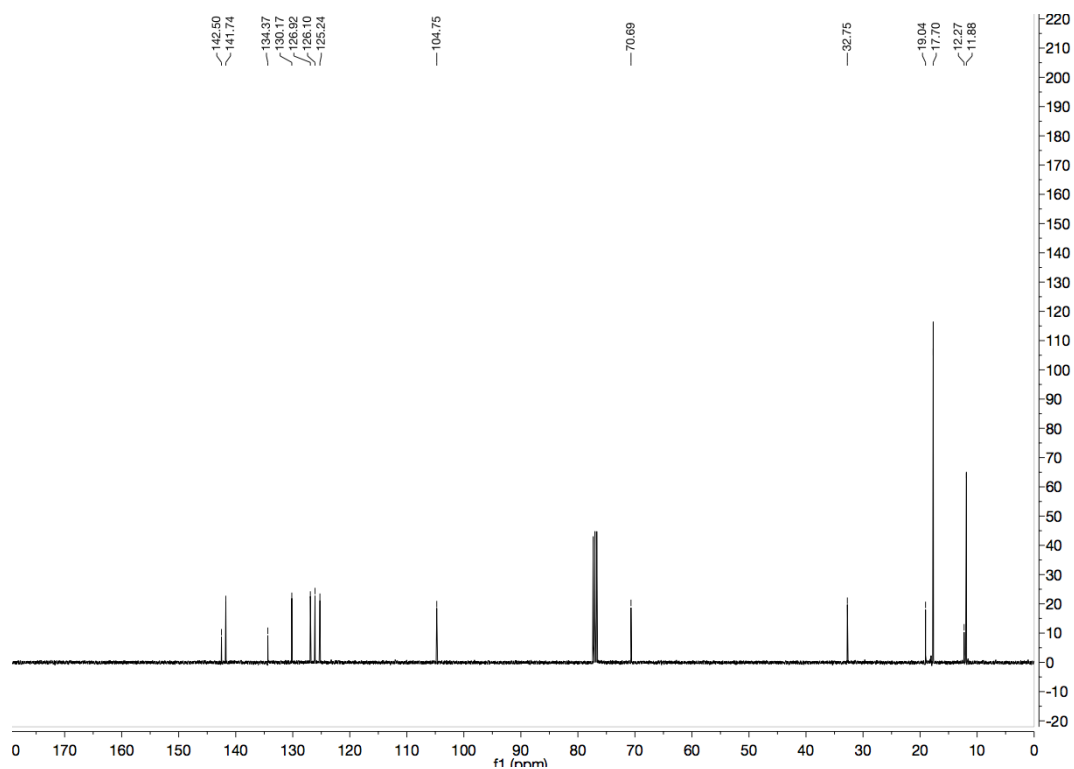
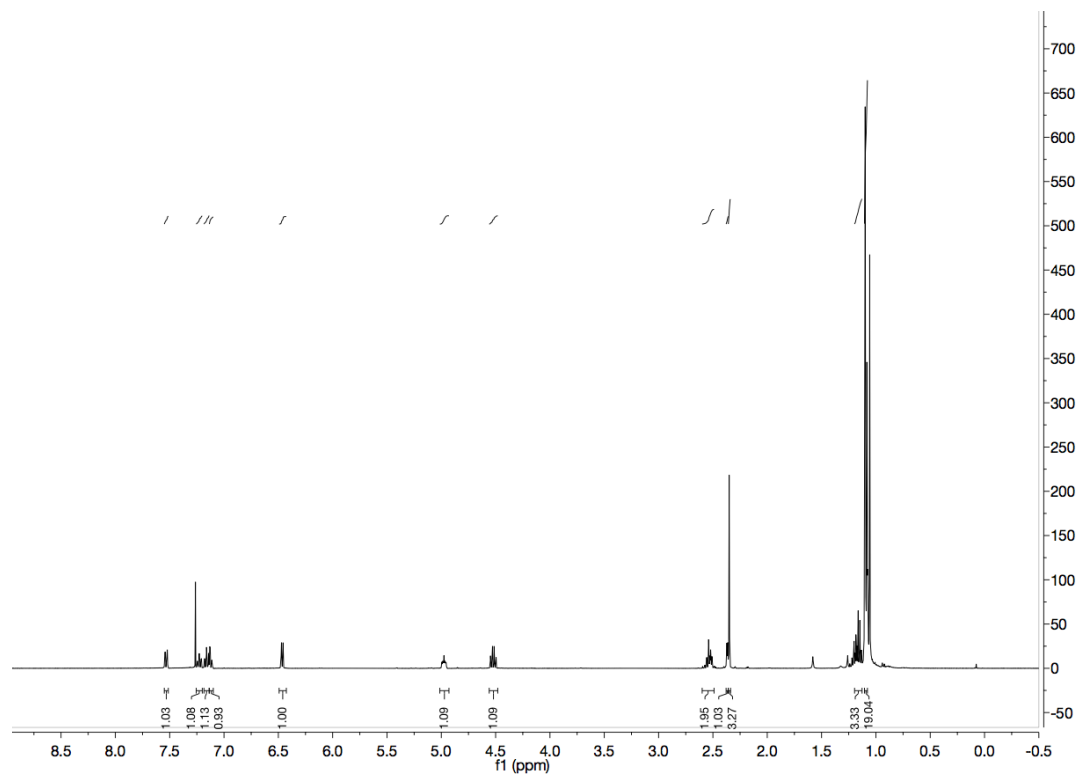
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 142.5, 141.7, 134.4, 130.2, 126.9, 126.1, 125.2, 104.8, 70.7, 32.8, 19.0, 17.7, 12.3, 11.9.

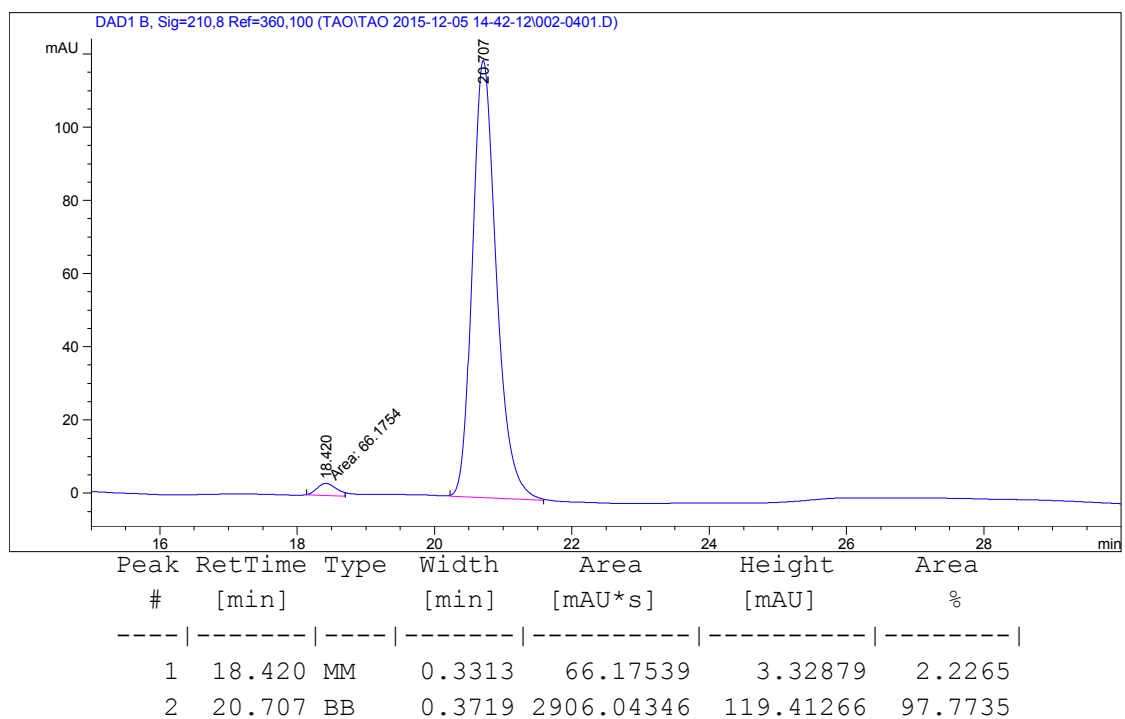
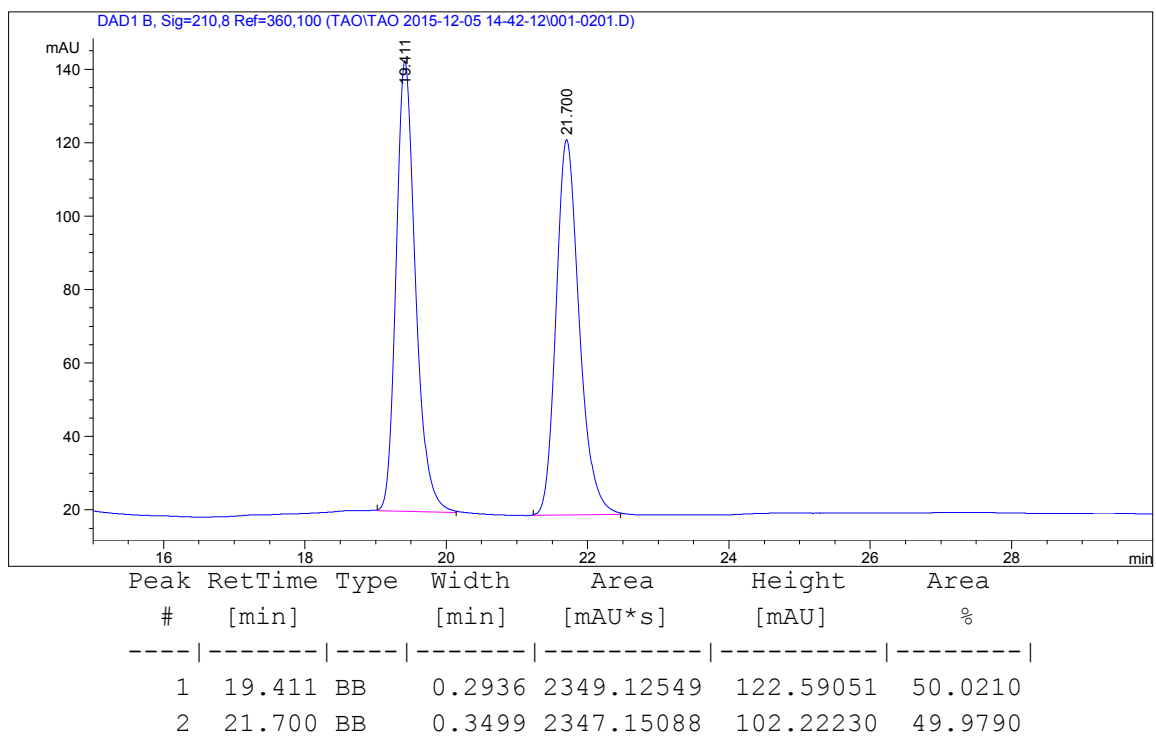
LRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₂₀H₃₄NaO₂Si [M+Na]⁺: 357, Found: 357.

FTIR (neat): 2944, 2866, 1654, 1463, 1121, 1104, 1047, 882, 745, 684 cm⁻¹.

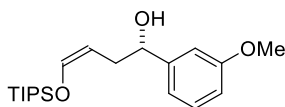
HPLC (Chiralcel AD-H/AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 95%.

[α]_D³⁰ = - 45.3 (*c* = 1.14, CHCl₃)





(*S,Z*)-1-(3-methoxyphenyl)-4-((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)but-3-en-1-ol (4.3e).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 94% yield (65.8 mg, 0.188 mmol, *Z:E* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 8% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.45 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.27 – 7.21 (m, 1H), 6.97 – 6.92 (m, 2H), 6.80 (ddd, *J* = 8.2, 2.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.45 (dt, *J* = 5.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.72 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.48 (td, *J* = 7.5, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 2.65 – 2.39 (m, 3H), 1.21 – 1.12 (m, 3H), 1.08 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 18H).

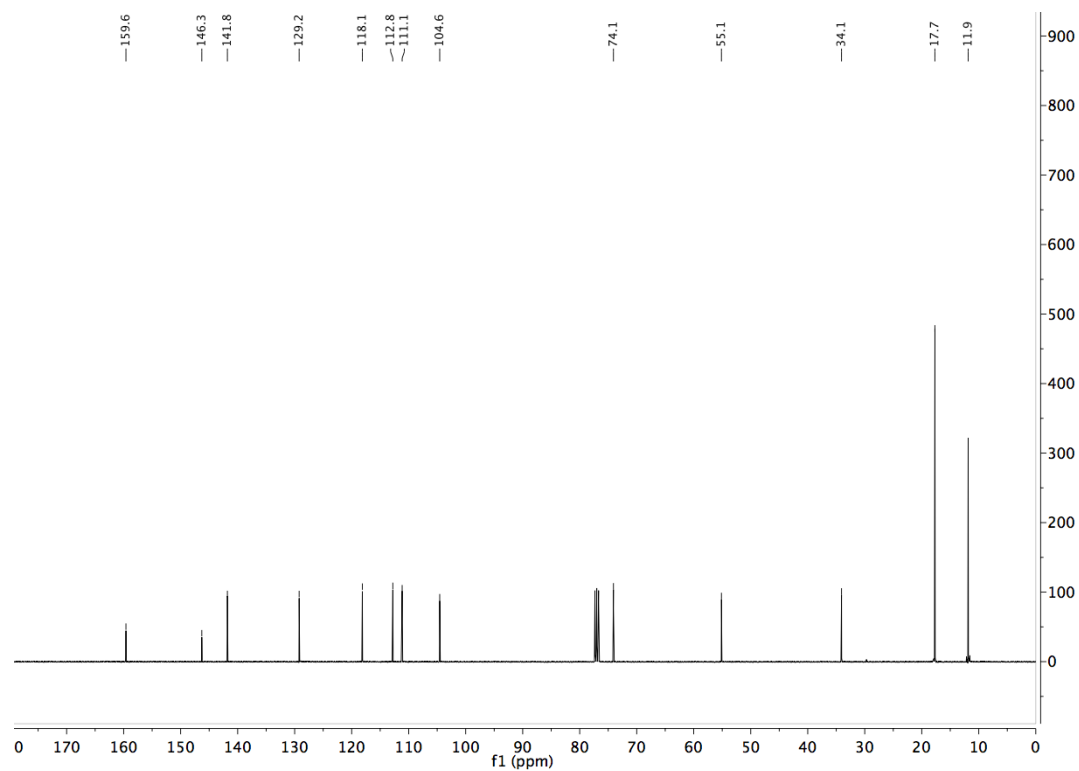
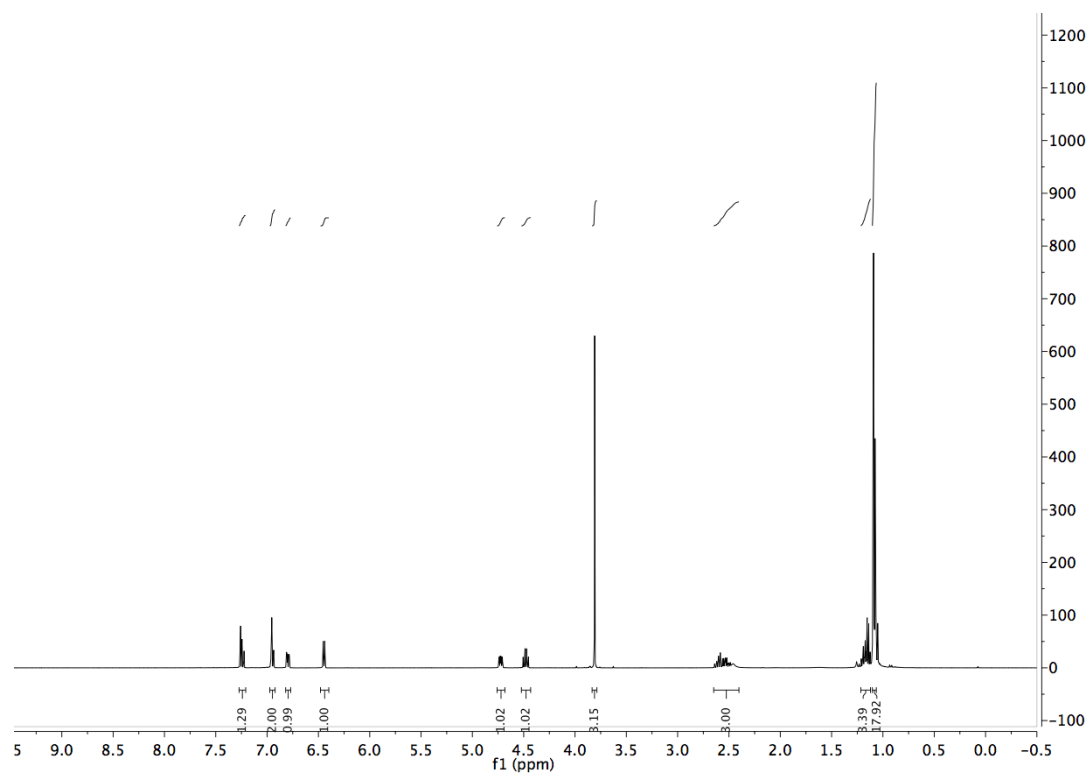
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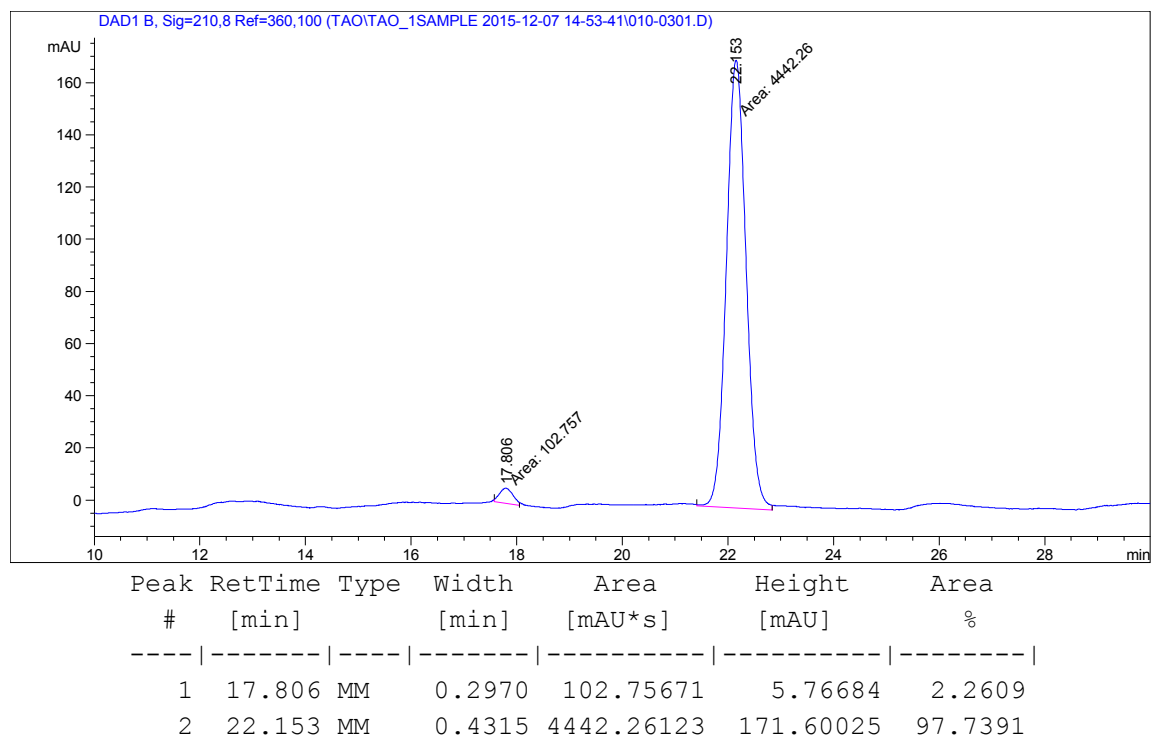
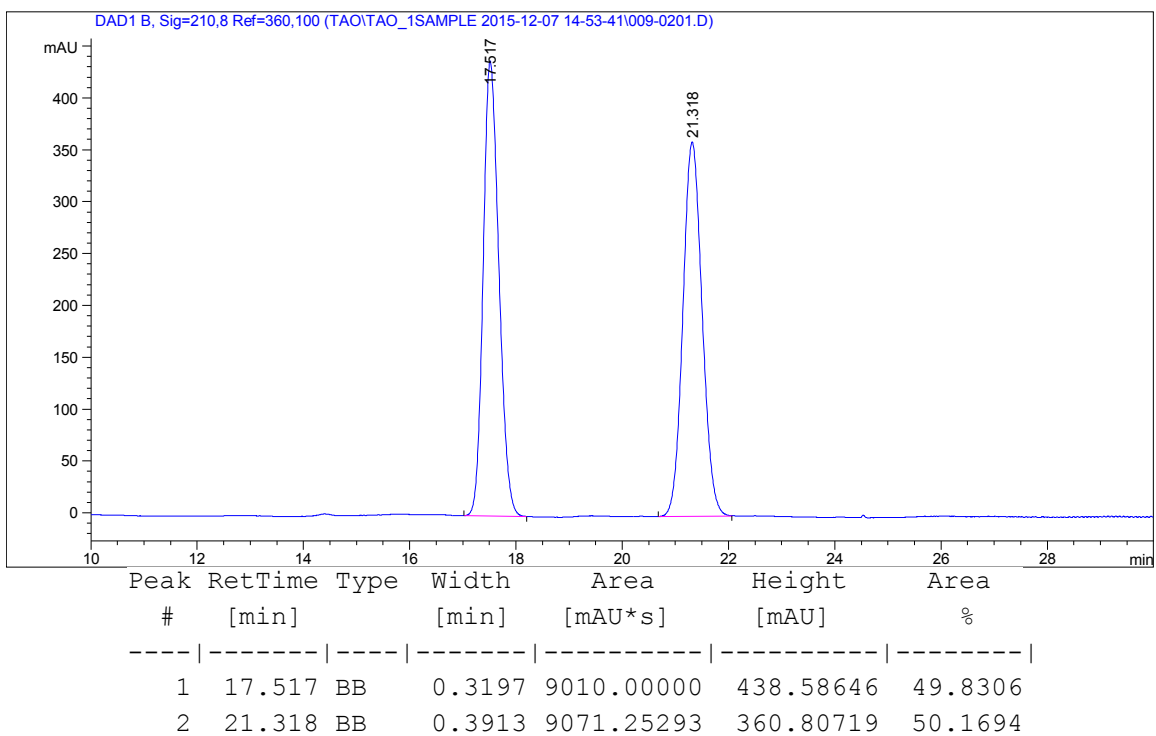
LRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₂₀H₃₄NaO₃Si [M+Na]⁺: 373, Found: 373.

FTIR (neat): 3443, 2943, 2866, 1738, 1653, 1258, 1115, 1044, 881, 684 cm⁻¹.

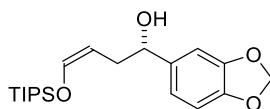
HPLC (Chiralpak IB column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 95%.

[α]_D³⁰ = - 30.6 (c = 1.17, CHCl₃)





(*S,Z*)-1-(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-4-((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)but-3-en-1-ol (4.3f).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 91% yield (66.2 mg, 0.182, *Z:E* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 8% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.45 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 6.90 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (ddd, *J* = 7.9, 1.7, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.42 (dt, *J* = 5.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 5.93 (s, 2H), 4.70 – 4.61 (m, 1H), 4.44 (td, *J* = 7.5, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 2.62 – 2.52 (m, 1H), 2.51 – 2.43 (m, 1H), 2.39 (s, 1H), 1.19 – 1.11 (m, 3H), 1.08 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 18H).

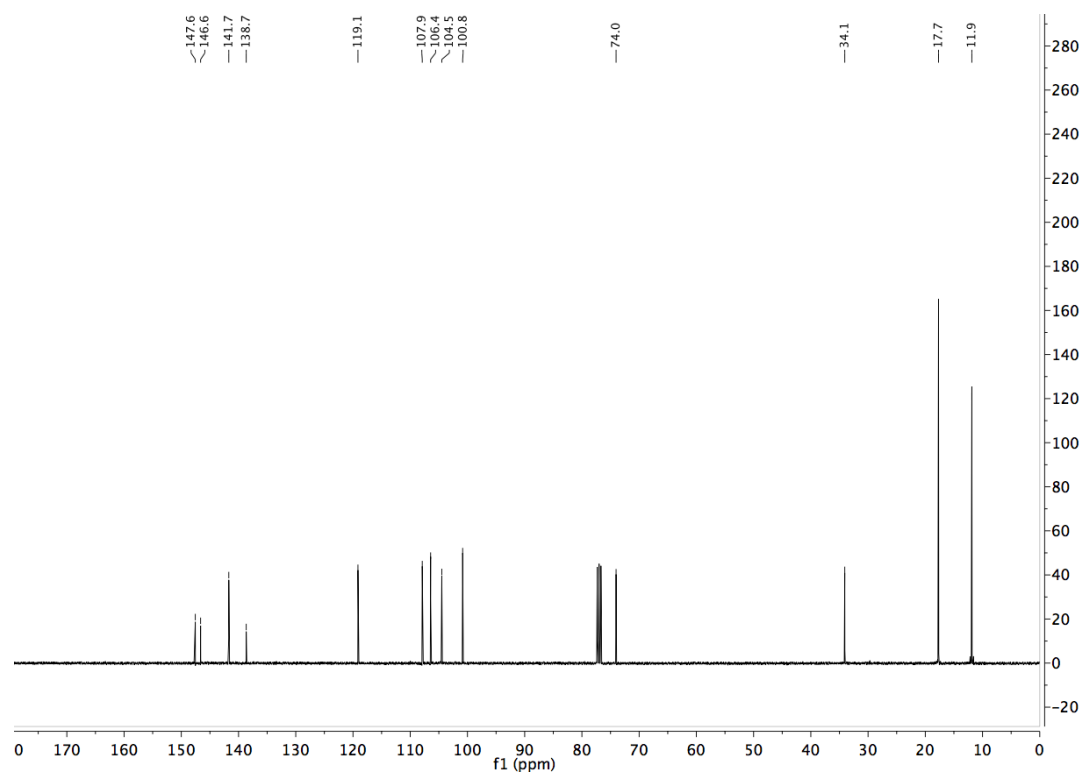
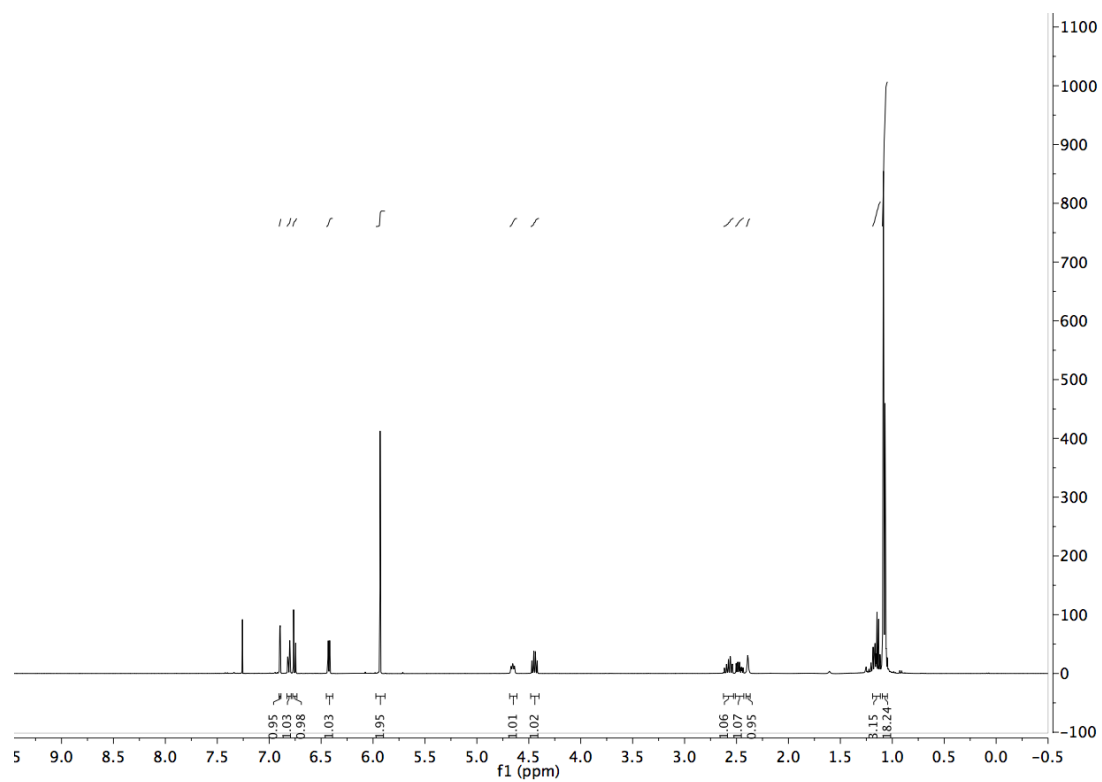
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 147.6, 146.6, 141.7, 138.7, 119.1, 107.9, 106.4, 104.5, 100.8, 74.0, 34.1, 17.7, 11.9.

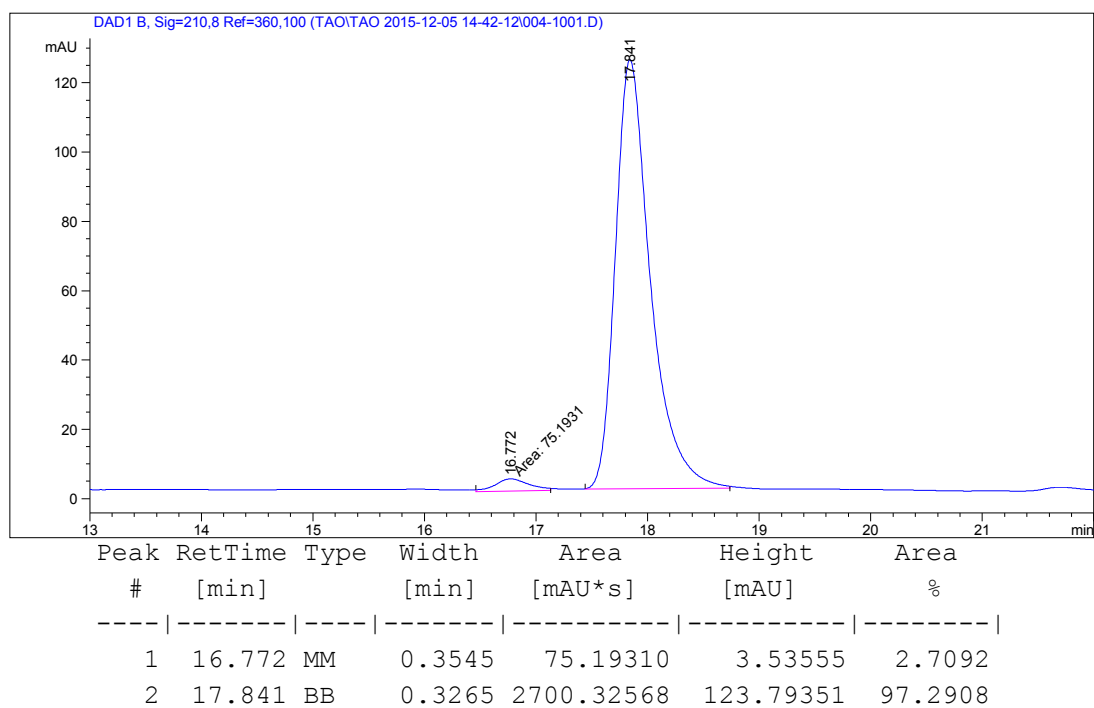
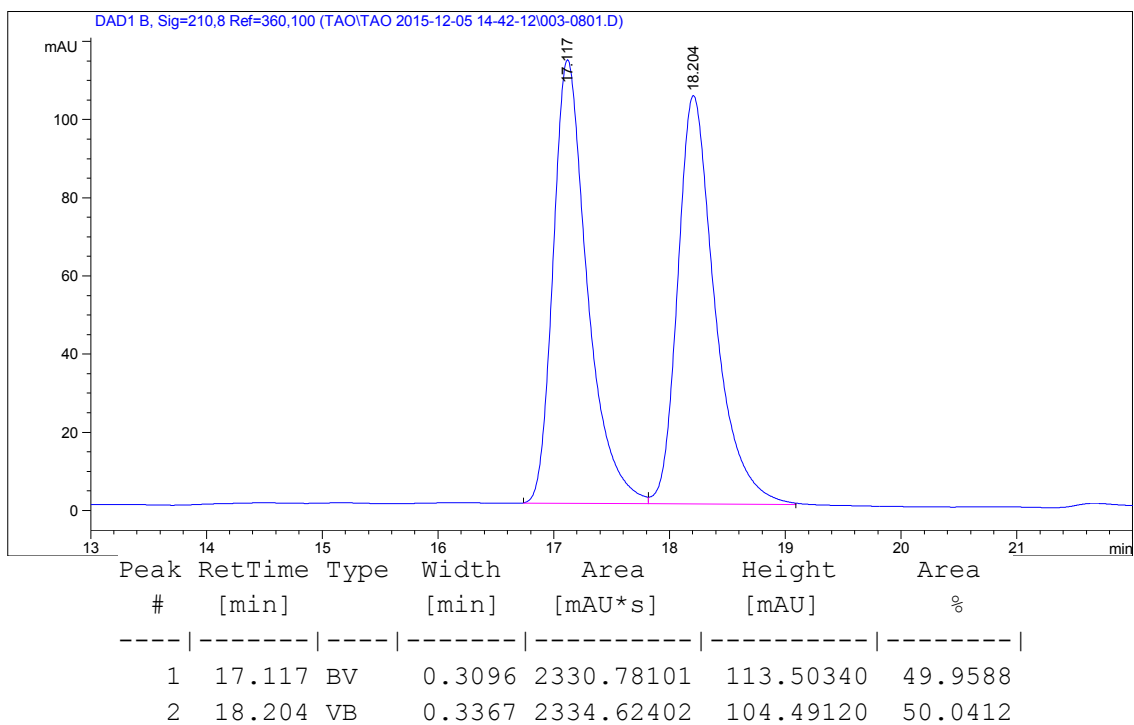
LRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₂₀H₃₂NaO₄Si [M+Na]⁺: 387, Found: 387.

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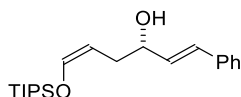
HPLC (Chiralcel AD-H/AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 97:3, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 94%.

[α]_D³⁰ = - 20.1 (c = 1.99, CHCl₃)





(*S*,1*E*,5*Z*)-1-phenyl-6-((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)hexa-1,5-dien-3-ol (4.3g)



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 78% yield (54.0 mg, 0.156 mmol, *Z:E* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 6% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.55 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.40 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.31 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (tt, *J* = 7.3, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (dd, *J* = 15.9, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.45 (dt, *J* = 5.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 6.26 (dd, *J* = 15.9, 6.3 Hz, 1H), 4.52 (td, *J* = 7.4, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.40 – 4.31 (m, 1H), 2.47 (ddd, *J* = 7.5, 6.2, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 2.12 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 1.21 – 1.11 (m, 3H), 1.10 – 1.06 (m, 18H).

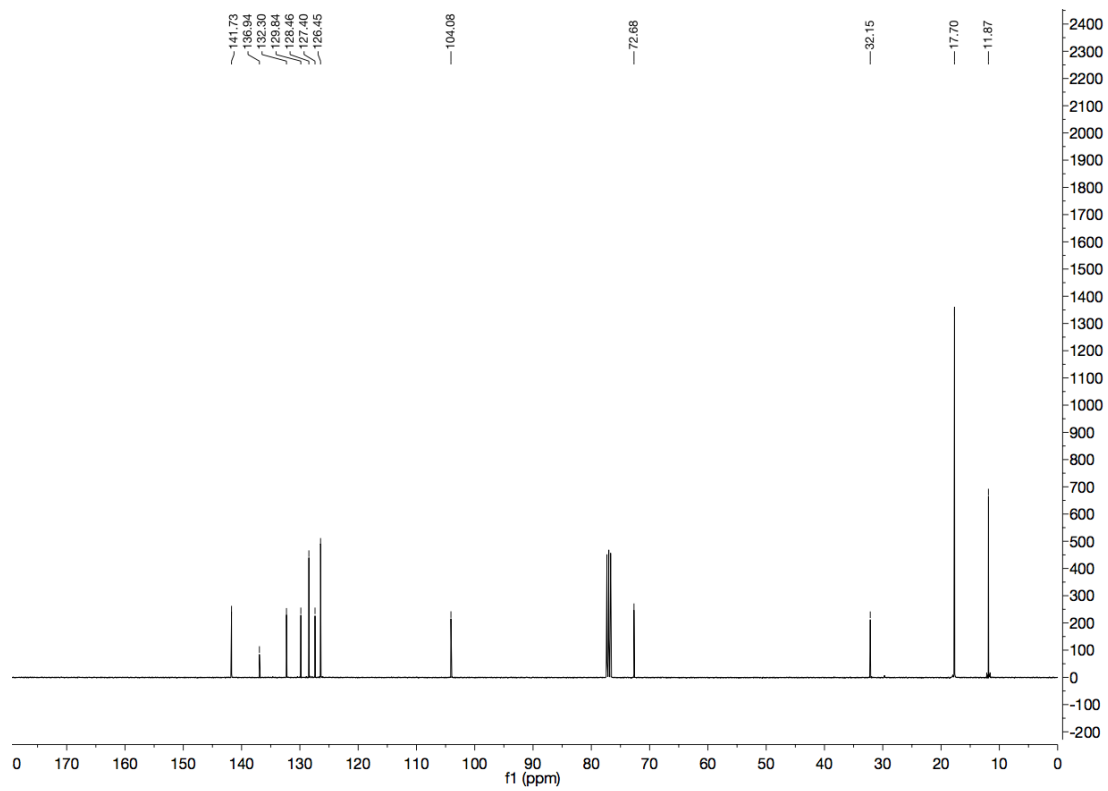
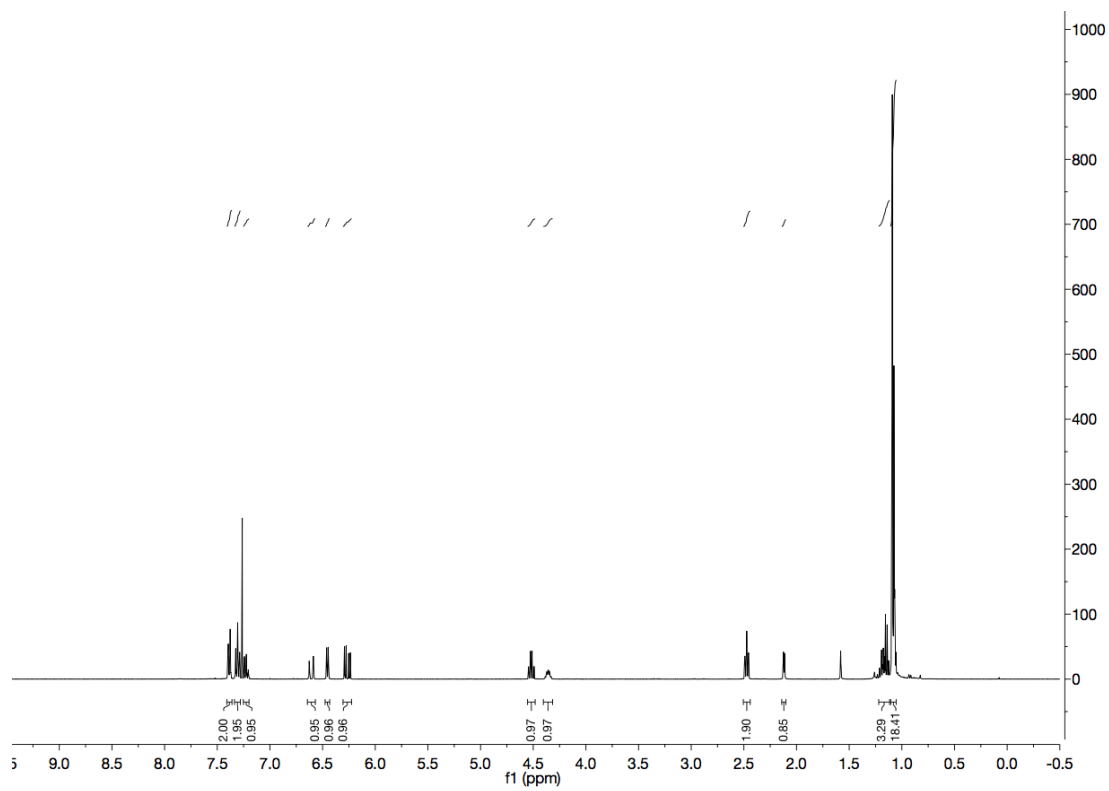
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 141.7, 136.9, 132.3, 129.8, 128.5, 127.4, 126.5, 104.1, 72.7, 32.2, 17.7, 11.9.

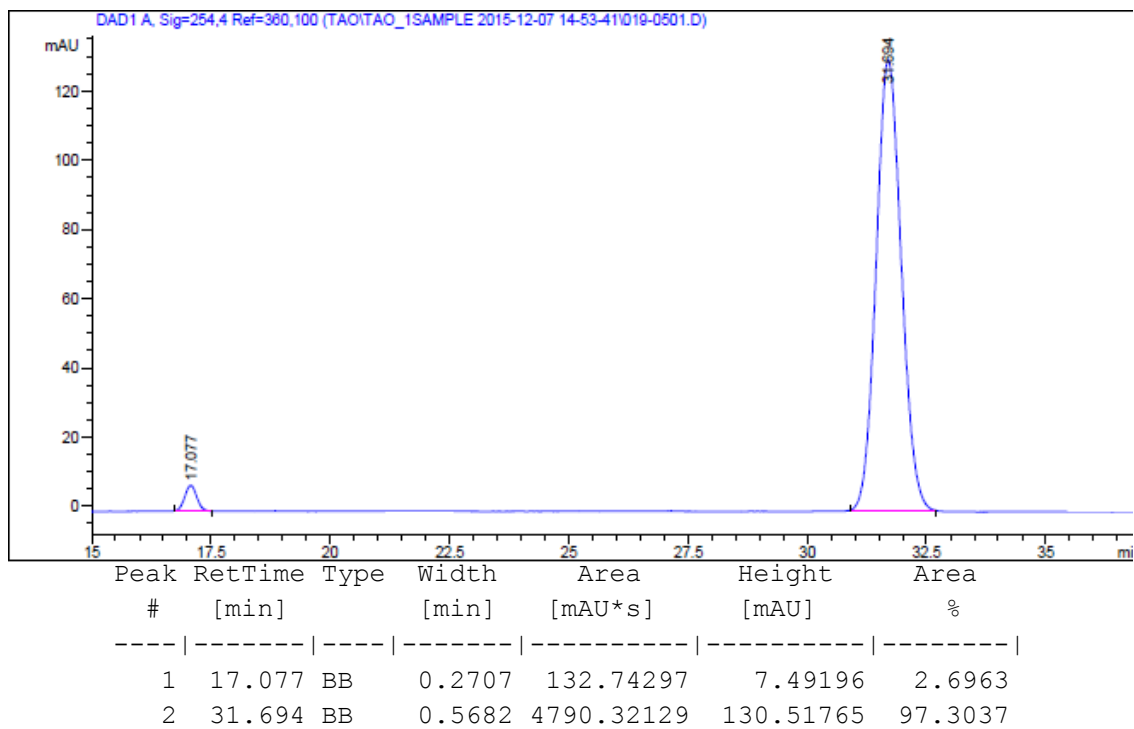
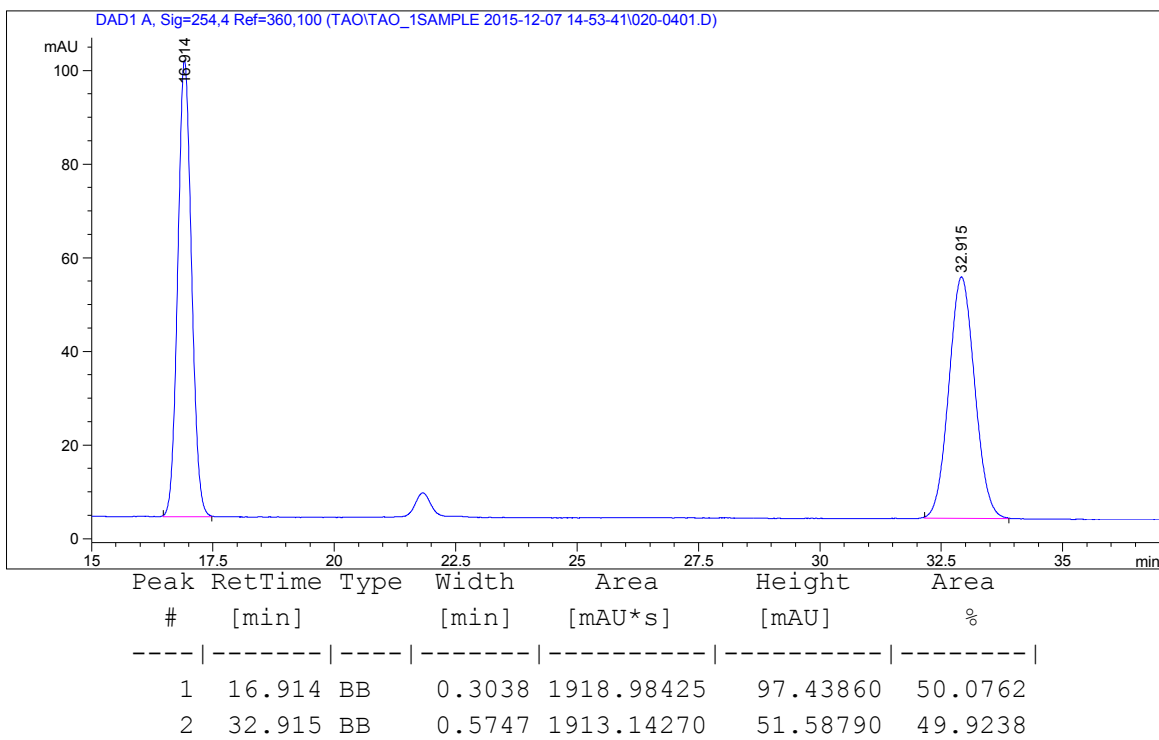
LRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₂₁H₃₄NaO₂Si [M+Na]⁺: 369, Found: 369.

FTIR (neat): 2943, 2866, 1460, 1654, 1463, 1249, 1120, 1093, 1045, 882, 747, 688, 666 cm⁻¹.

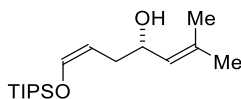
HPLC (Chiralpak IB column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1 mL/min, 254 nm), ee = 94%.

[α]_D³⁰ = - 7.2 (c = 0.83, CHCl₃)





(*S,Z*)-6-methyl-1-((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)hepta-1,5-dien-4-ol (4.3h).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 67% yield (39.9 mg, 0.134 mmol, *Z:E* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 6% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.55 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 6.41 (dt, *J* = 5.9, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.23 (dp, *J* = 8.6, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (ddd, *J* = 7.7, 7.2, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.42 – 4.35 (m, 1H), 2.44 – 2.34 (m, 1H), 2.31 – 2.22 (m, 1H), 1.79 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 1.72 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 3H), 1.69 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 3H), 1.19 – 1.11 (m, 3H), 1.10 – 1.07 (m, 18H).

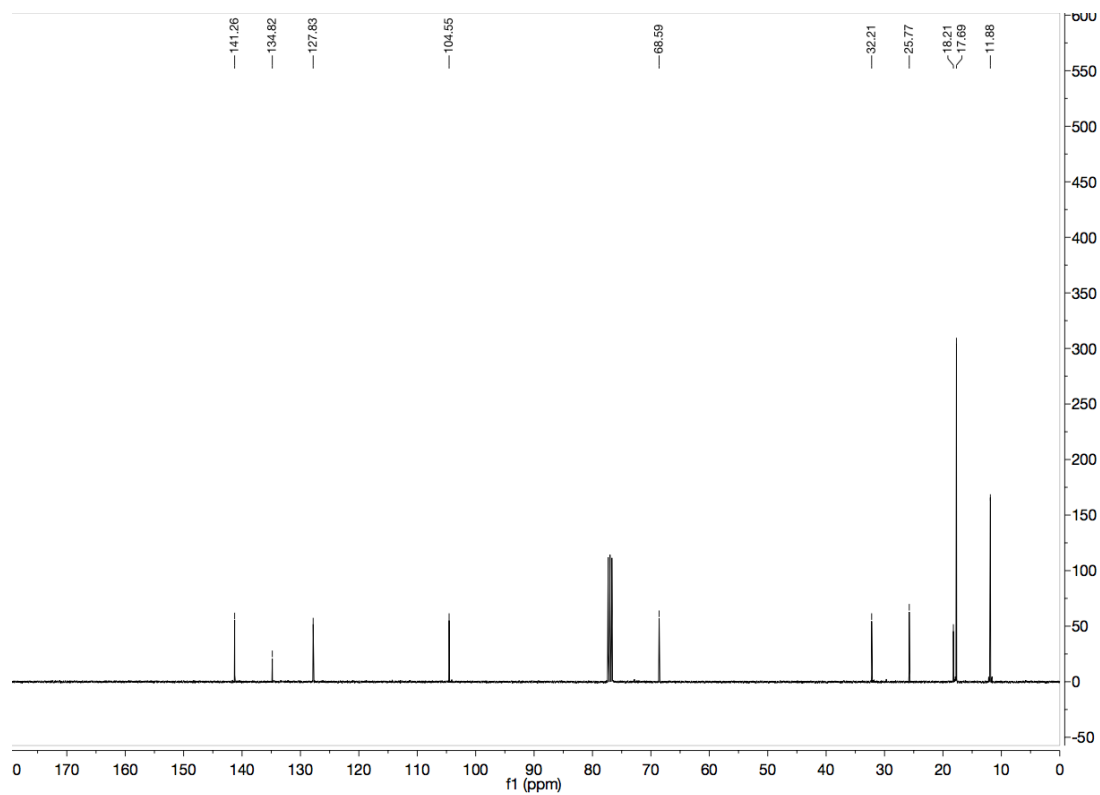
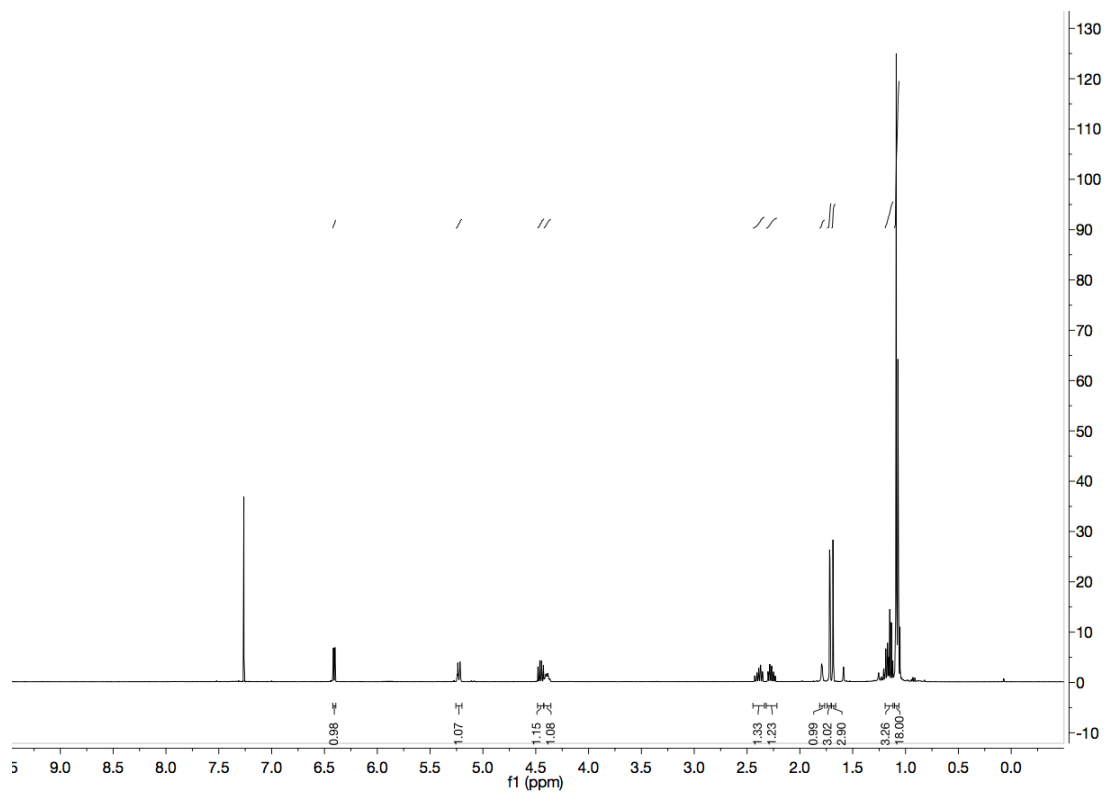
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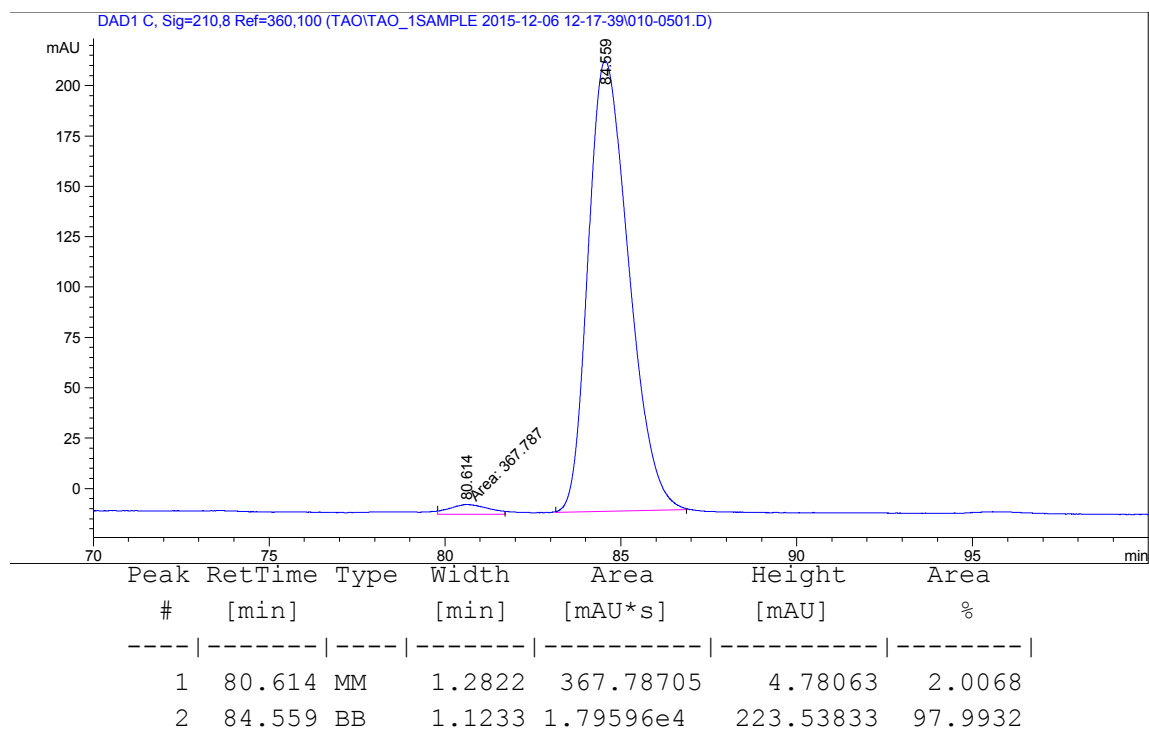
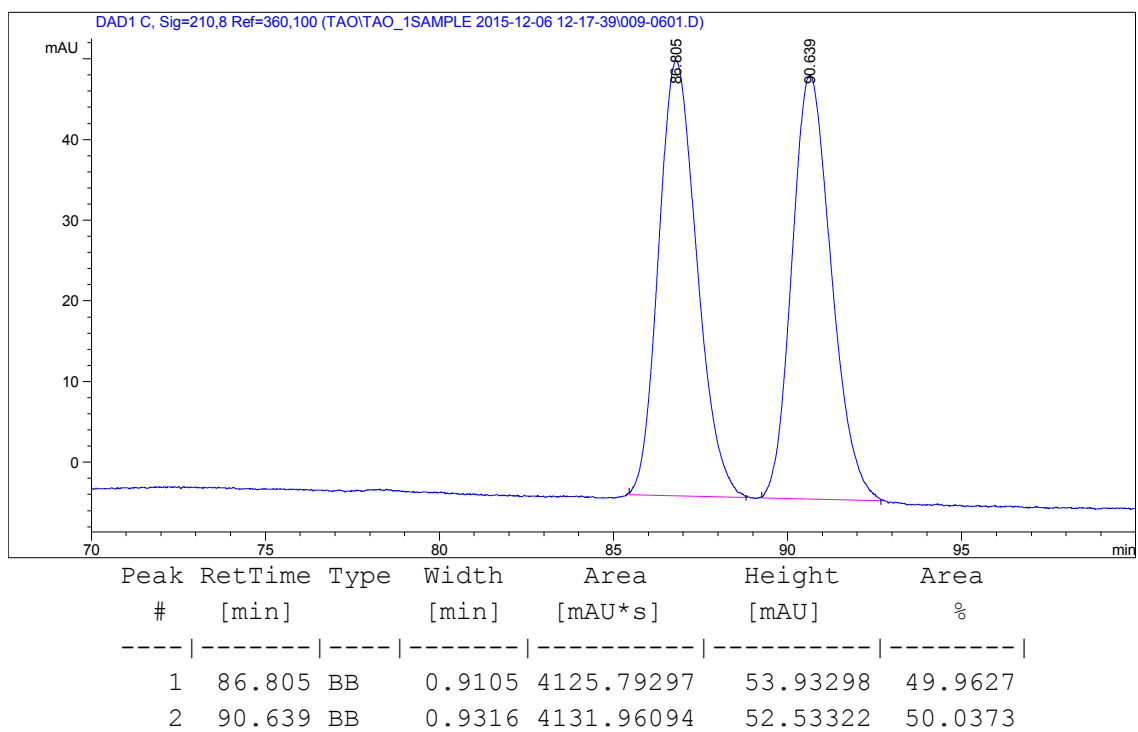
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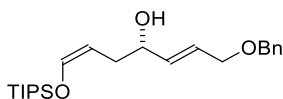
HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H/OD-H/OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 0.5 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 96%.

[α]_D²² = - 14.7 (c = 0.34, CHCl₃)





(*S*,1*Z*,5*E*)-7-(benzyloxy)-1-((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)hepta-1,5-dien-4-ol (4.3i).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 75% yield (58.5 mg, 0.15 mmol, *Z:E* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 7% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.3 (50% EtOAc/Hexanes).

Spectral data is reported for the major isomer.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.34 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 4H), 7.31 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 6.43 (dt, *J* = 5.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 5.84 – 5.80 (m, 2H), 4.52 (s, 2H), 4.47 (td, *J* = 7.4, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.24 – 4.17 (m, 1H), 4.03 (dd, *J* = 4.2, 0.9 Hz, 2H), 2.38 (ddd, *J* = 7.5, 6.3, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 2.02 (d, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 1H), 1.19 – 1.11 (m, 3H), 1.08 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 18H).

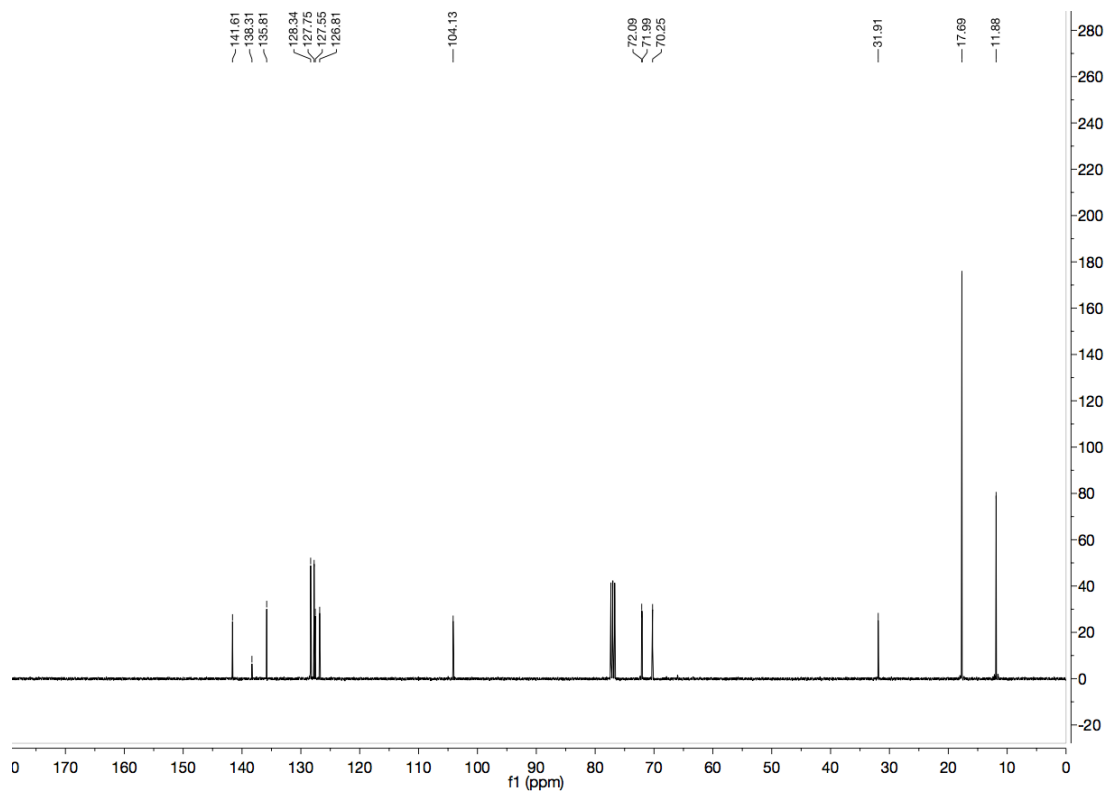
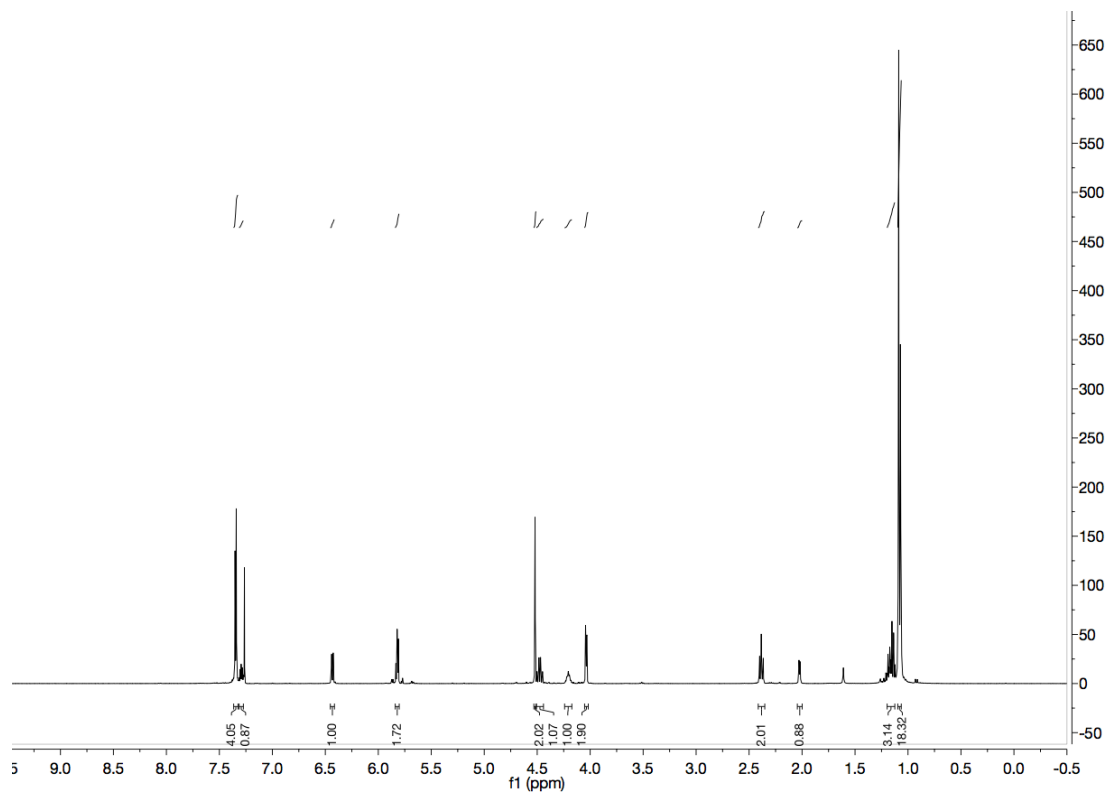
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 141.6, 138.3, 135.8, 128.3, 127.8, 127.6, 126.8, 104.1, 72.1, 72.0, 70.3, 31.9, 17.7, 11.9.

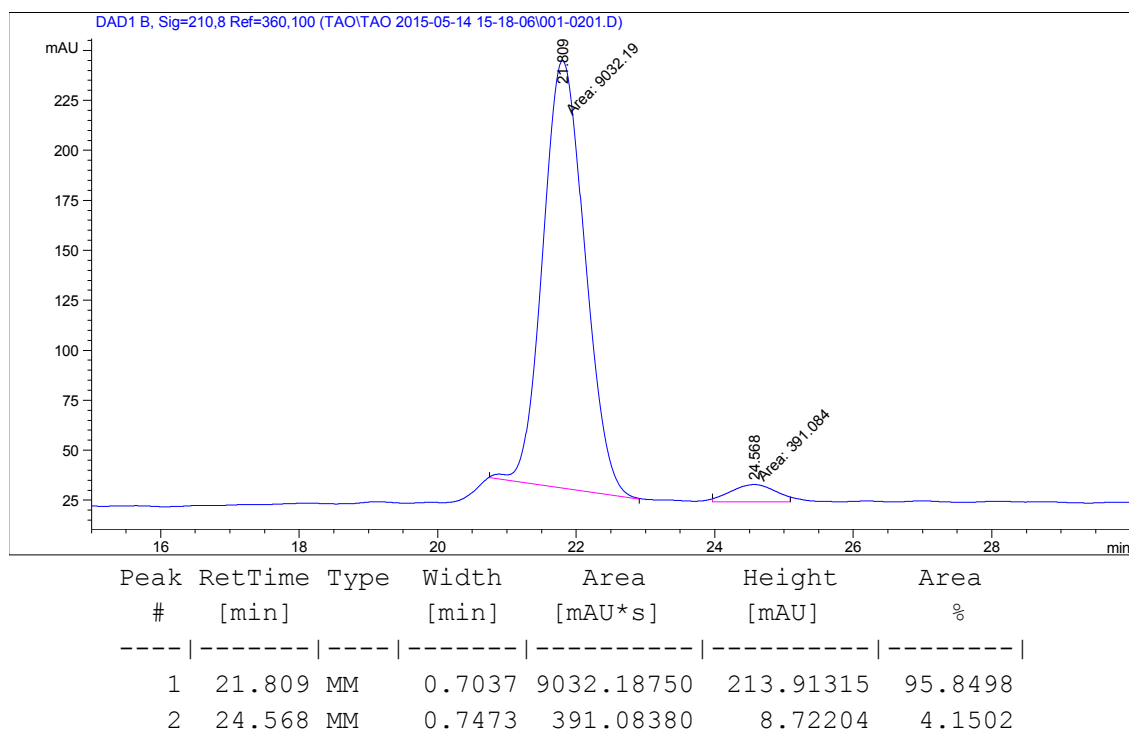
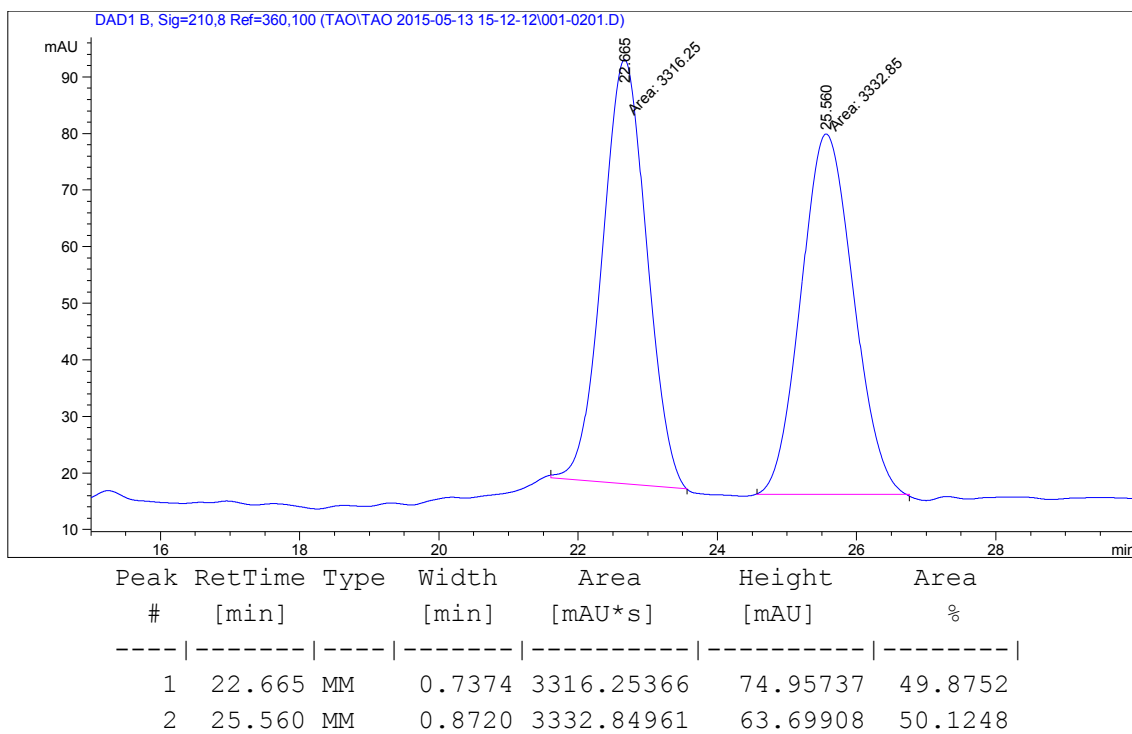
LRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₂₃H₃₈NaO₃Si [M+Na]⁺: 413, Found: 413.

FTIR (neat): 2943, 2866, 1653, 1463, 1248, 1095, 1066, 882, 735, 685, 666 cm⁻¹.

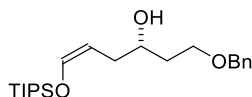
HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1 mL/min, 254 nm), ee = 92%.

[α]_D²⁴ = + 1.3 (c = 0.77, CHCl₃)





(*S,Z*)-1-(benzyloxy)-6-((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)hex-5-en-3-ol (4.3j).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 68% yield (51.4 mg, 0.136 mmol, *Z:E* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 8% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.35 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.35 – 7.27 (m, 5H), 6.40 (dt, *J* = 5.9, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.54 – 4.51 (m, 2H), 4.47 (td, *J* = 7.4, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 3.89 – 3.82 (m, 1H), 3.75 – 3.69 (m, 1H), 3.68 – 3.61 (m, 1H), 2.84 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 2.38 – 2.27 (m, 2H), 1.84 – 1.74 (m, 2H), 1.19 – 1.11 (m, 3H), 1.07 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 18H).

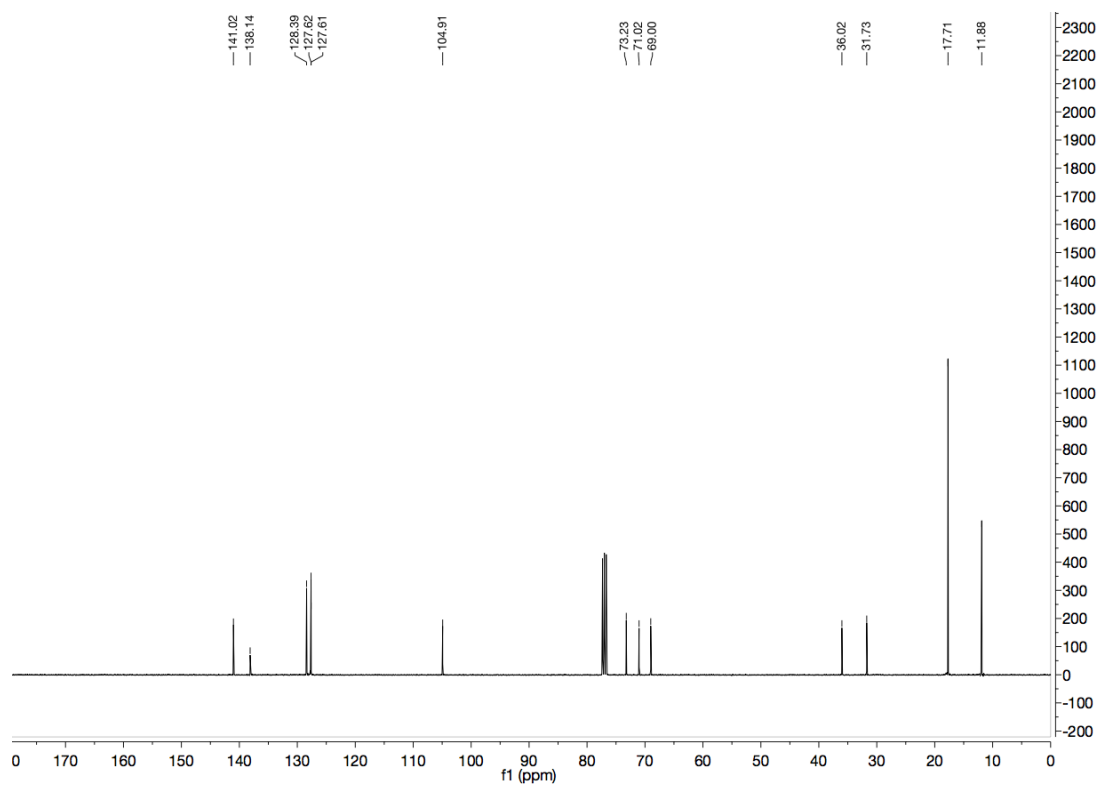
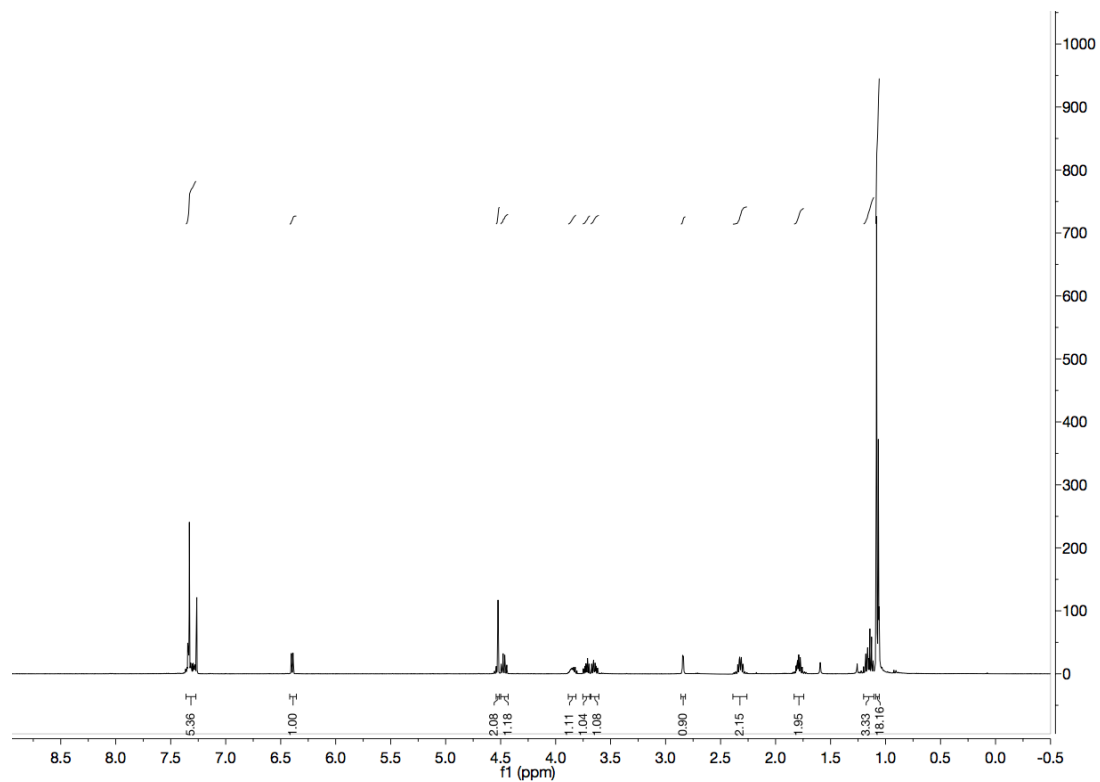
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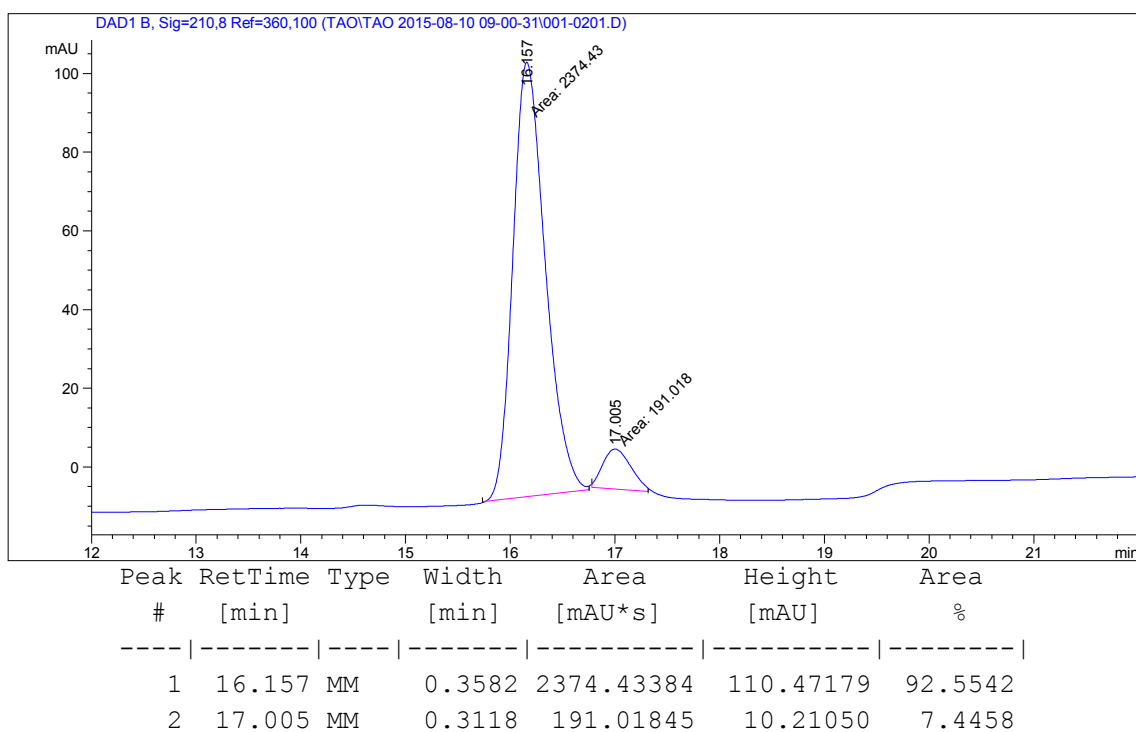
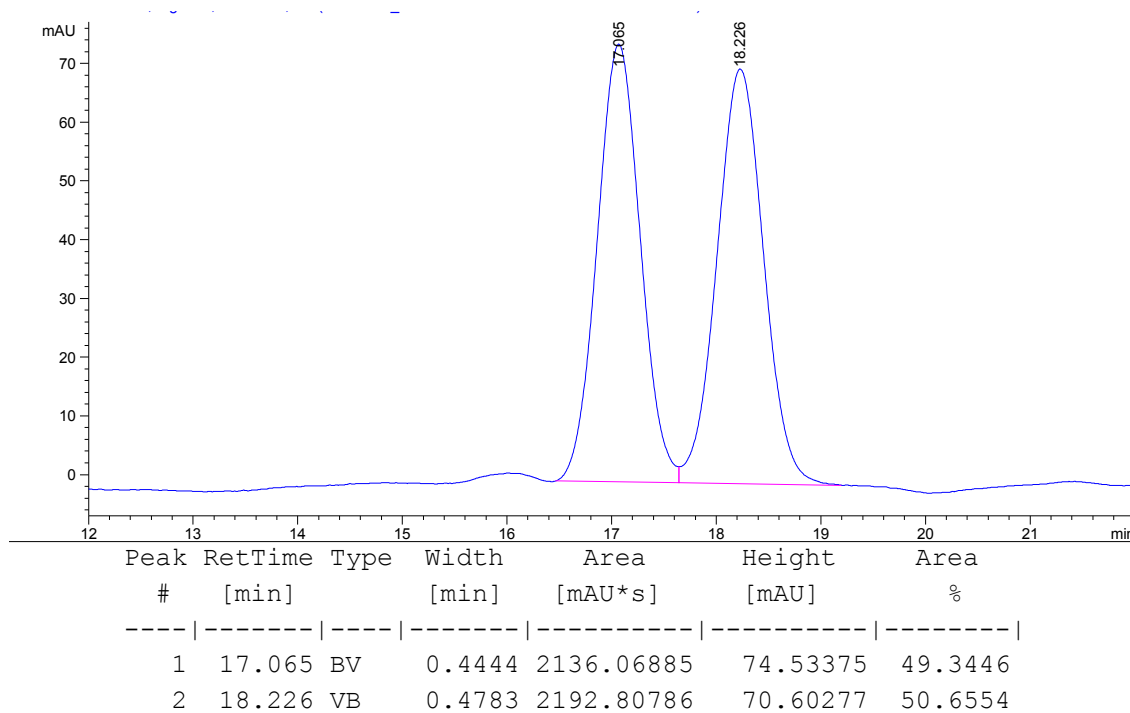
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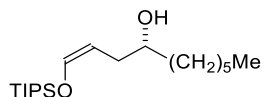
HPLC (Chiralcel AD-H/AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 85%.

[α]_D²⁵ = + 3.5 (c = 0.51, CHCl₃)





(*R,Z*)-1-((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)dec-1-en-4-ol (4.3k).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 64% yield (42.0 mg, 0.128 mmol, *Z:E* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 4% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.6 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 6.43 (dt, *J* = 5.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.48 (td, *J* = 7.5, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 3.69 – 3.59 (m, 1H), 2.34 – 2.20 (m, 2H), 1.84 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 1.49 – 1.40 (m, 3H), 1.36 – 1.24 (m, 7H), 1.20 – 1.12 (m, 3H), 1.08 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 18H), 0.91 – 0.84 (m, 3H).

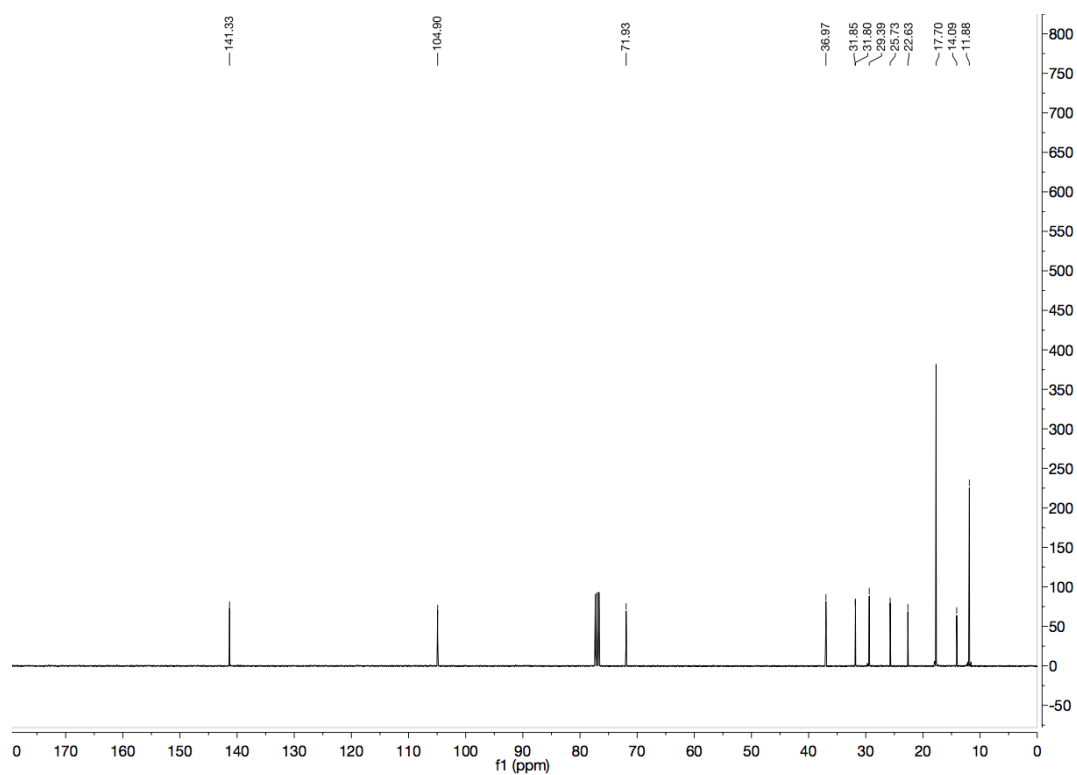
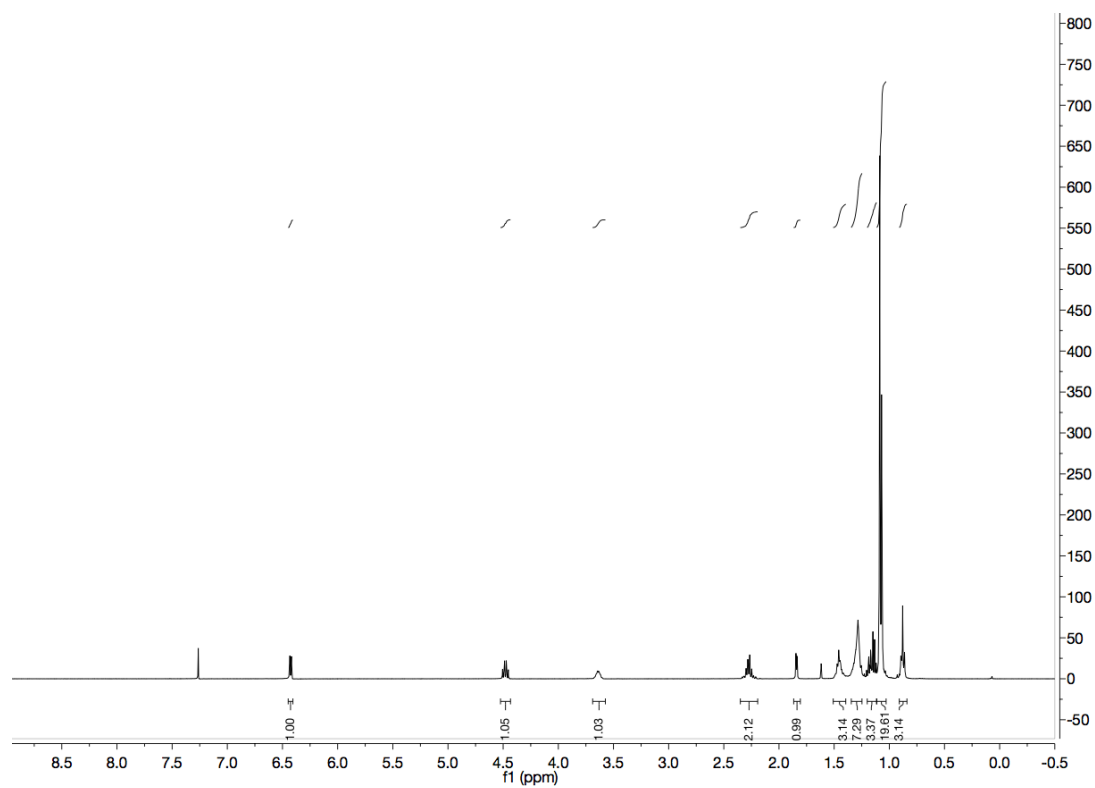
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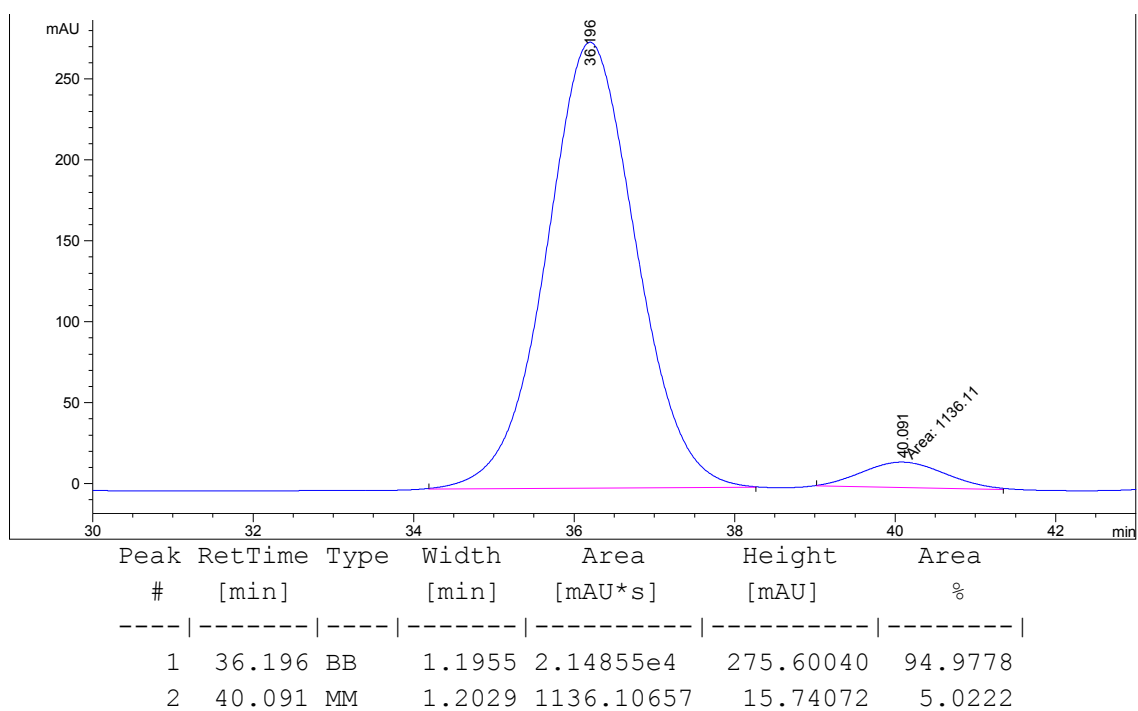
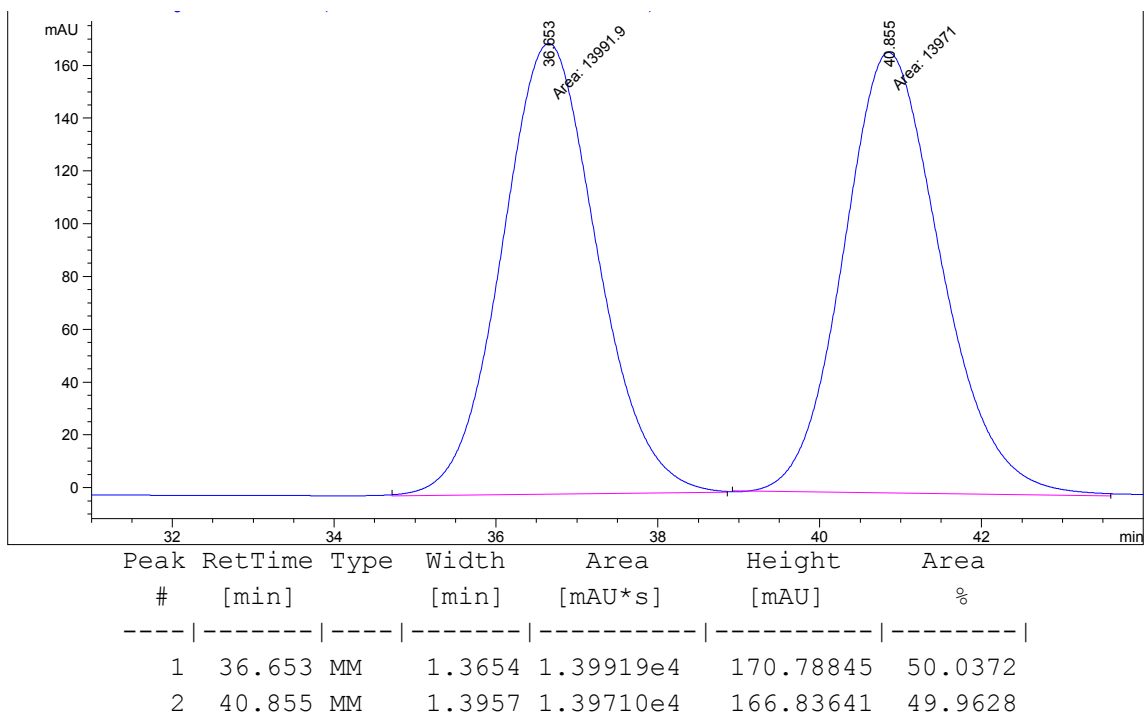
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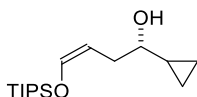
HPLC (Chiralcel AD-H column/AD-H column/AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99.7:0.3, 0.5 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 90%.

[α]_D²⁵ = + 1.0 (c = 0.99, CHCl₃)





(*S,Z*)-1-cyclopropyl-4-((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)but-3-en-1-ol (4.3l).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 63% yield (35.8 mg, 0.126 mmol, *Z:E* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 5% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.55 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 6.42 (dt, *J* = 5.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.55 (td, *J* = 7.5, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 2.98 – 2.89 (m, 1H), 2.45 – 2.40 (m, 2H), 1.98 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 1.20 – 1.13 (m, 3H), 1.10 – 1.07 (m, 18H), 0.98 – 0.89 (m, 1H), 0.53 – 0.44 (m, 2H), 0.36 – 0.28 (m, 1H), 0.24 – 0.17 (m, 1H).

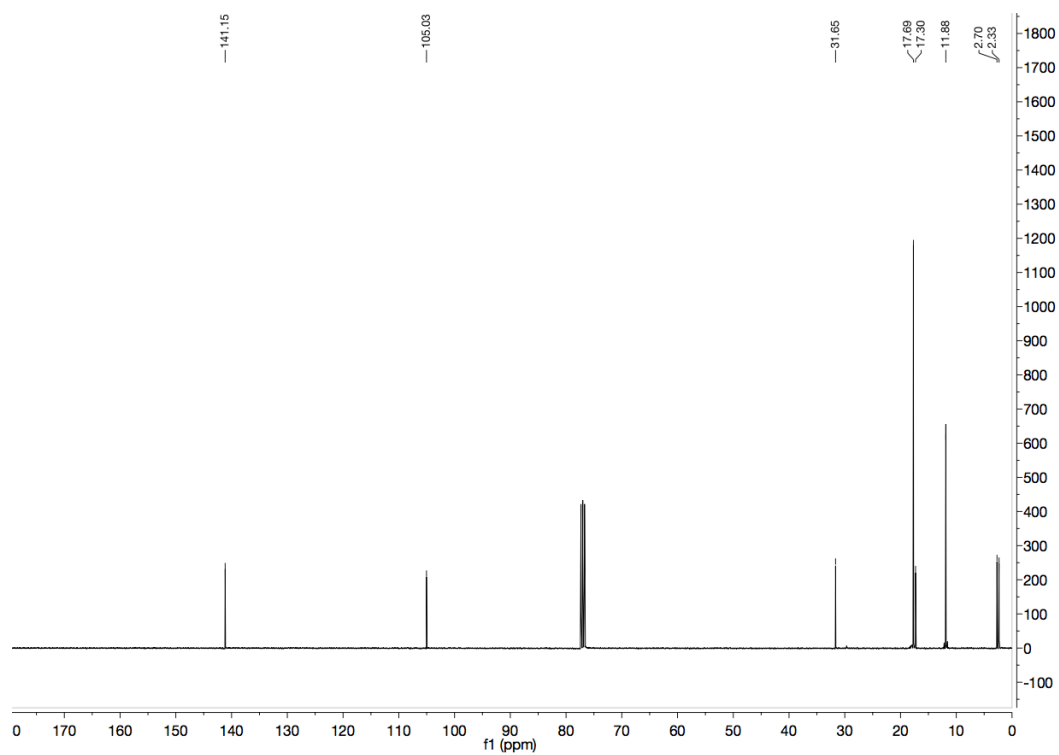
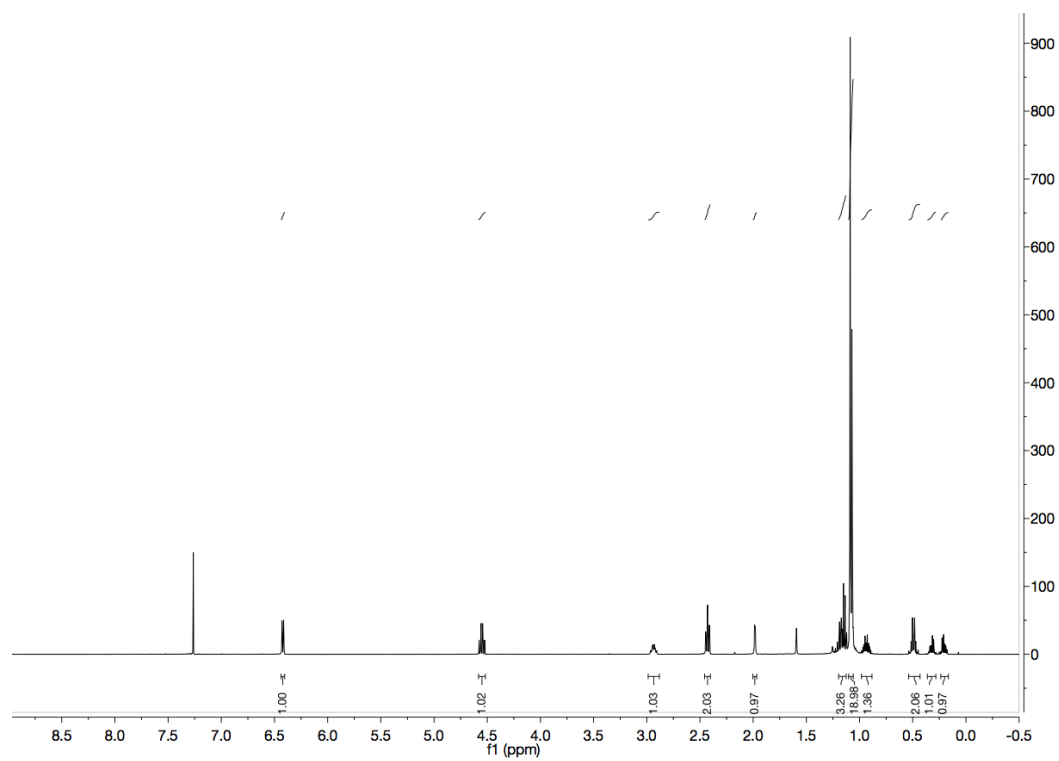
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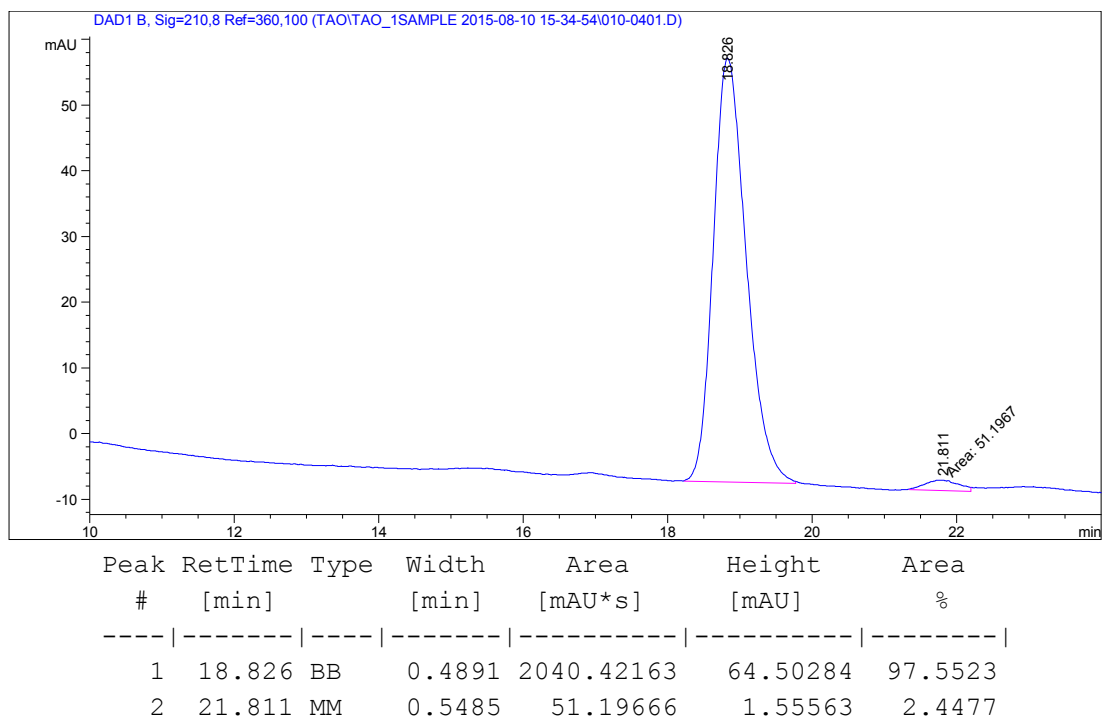
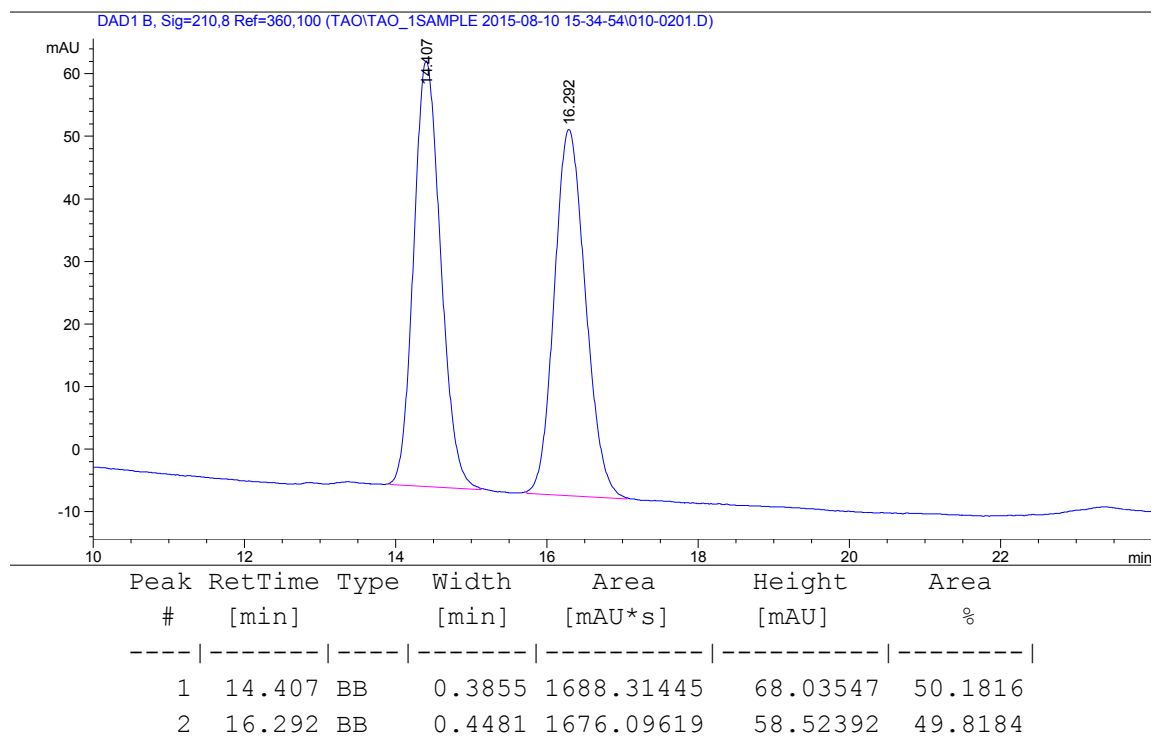
LRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₆H₃₂NaO₂Si [M+Na]⁺: 307.2, Found: 307.2.

FTIR (neat): 2944, 2867, 1655, 1464, 1252, 1113, 1058, 882, 683, 669 cm⁻¹.

HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1 mL/min, 210 nm), ee = 95%.

[α]_D²⁵ = + 2.4 (c = 0.41, CHCl₃)

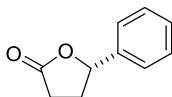




General Procedure and Preparation of 4.4a, 4.4c, 4.4e, 4.4f, 4.4h, 4.4j

To a solution of adduct **4.3** (0.20 mmol) in THF (1 mL) at 0 °C was added TBAF (0.22 mL, 110 mol%, 1M in THF) via syringe. The mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 30 min, at which point water was added and the mixture was extracted by DCM (3 x 1 mL). The organic layer was washed by brine, dried (Na₂SO₄) and filtered with the aid of DCM. The filtrate was evaporated to 2 mL and 4 Å MS (100 mg), NaOAc (8.2 mg, 0.10 mmol) and PCC (86.2 mg, 0.40 mmol) were added, and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 hours. The solvents were removed *in vacuo* and the residue was subjected to column chromatography (SiO₂) to afford the corresponding lactone products.

(S)-5-phenyldihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (4.4a).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 73% yield (23.7 mg, 0.146 mmol) as a colorless liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 12% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.2 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

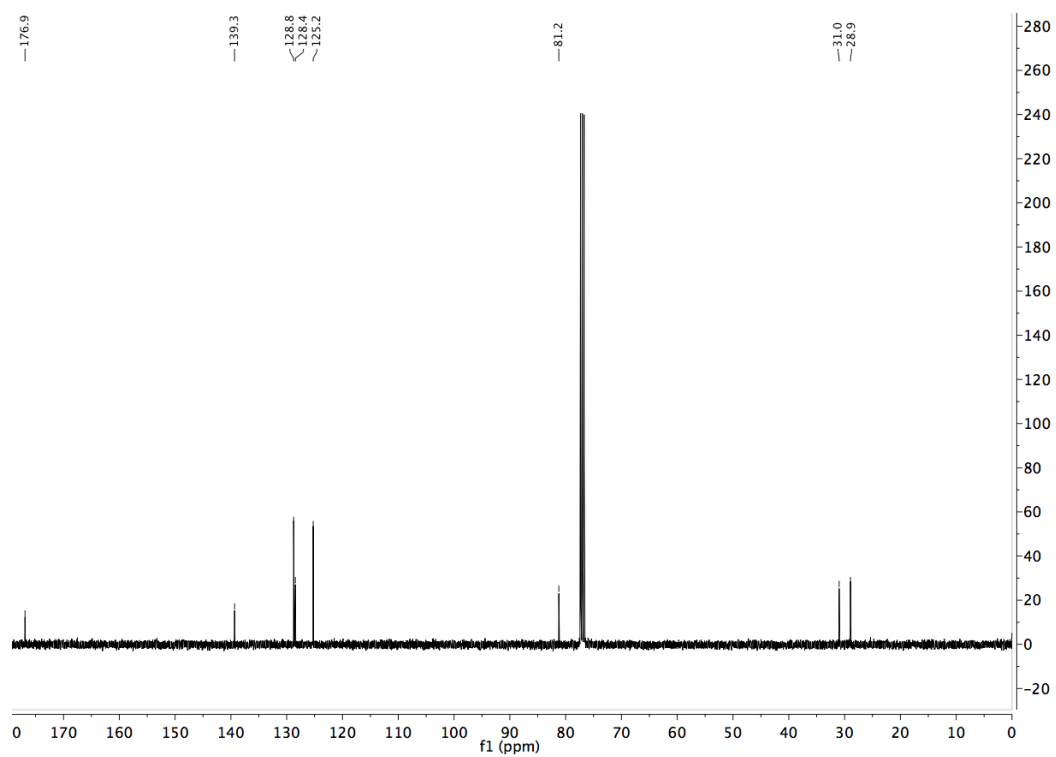
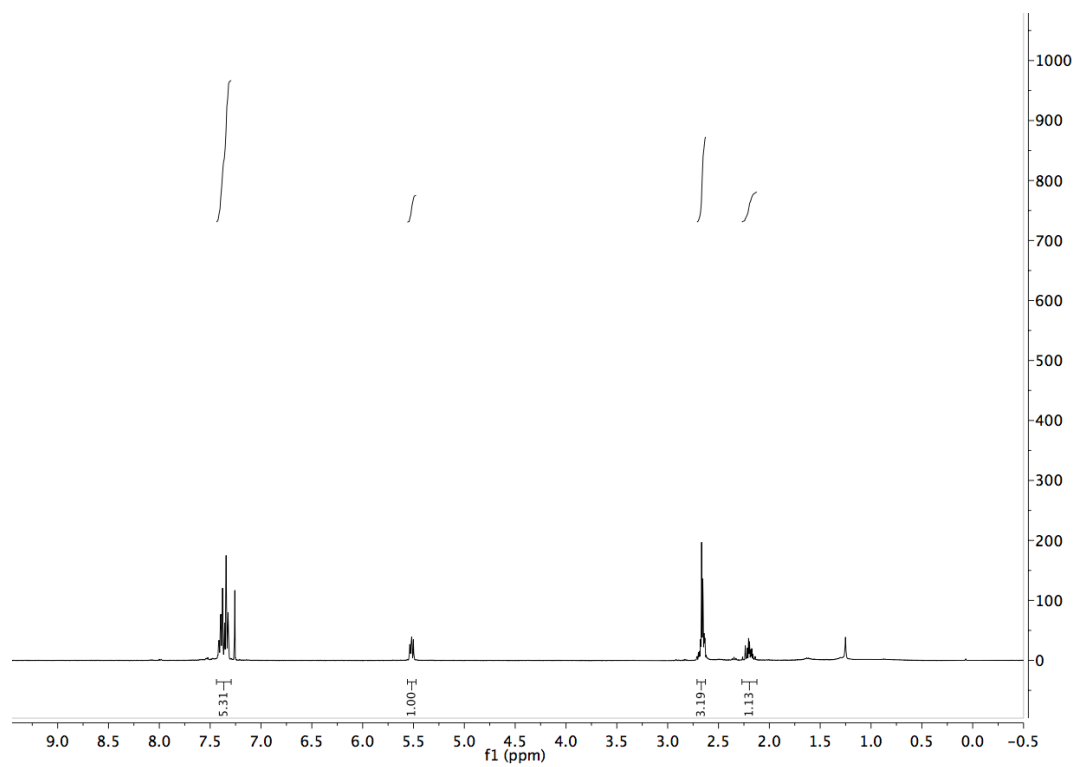
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44 – 7.30 (m, 5H), 5.52 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.71 – 2.62 (m, 3H), 2.27 – 2.13 (m, 1H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 176.9, 139.3, 128.8, 128.4, 125.3, 81.2, 31.0, 29.0.

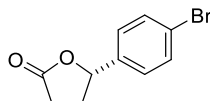
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FTIR (neat): 1770, 1365, 1216, 1176, 1141, 1019, 940, 759, 700 cm⁻¹.

[α]_D²⁵ = -48.9 (c = 0.3, CHCl₃)



(S)-5-(4-bromophenyl)dihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (4.4c).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 87% yield (41.8 mg, 0.174 mmol) after column chromatography (SiO₂; 12% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.2 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

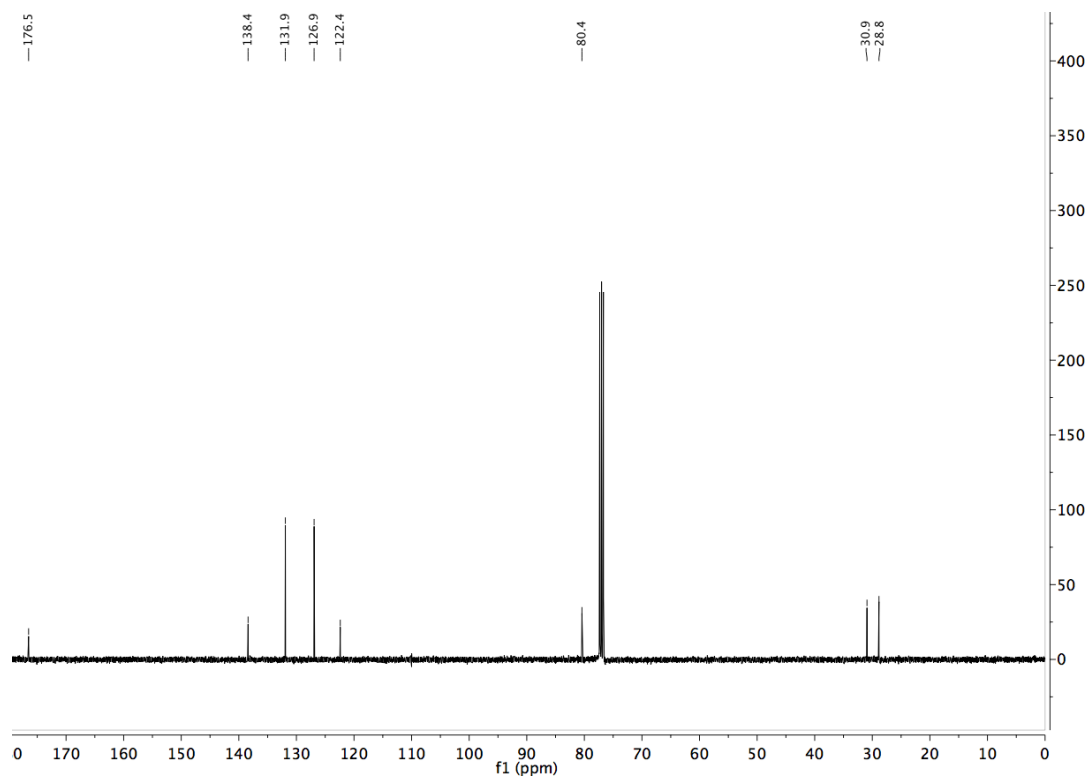
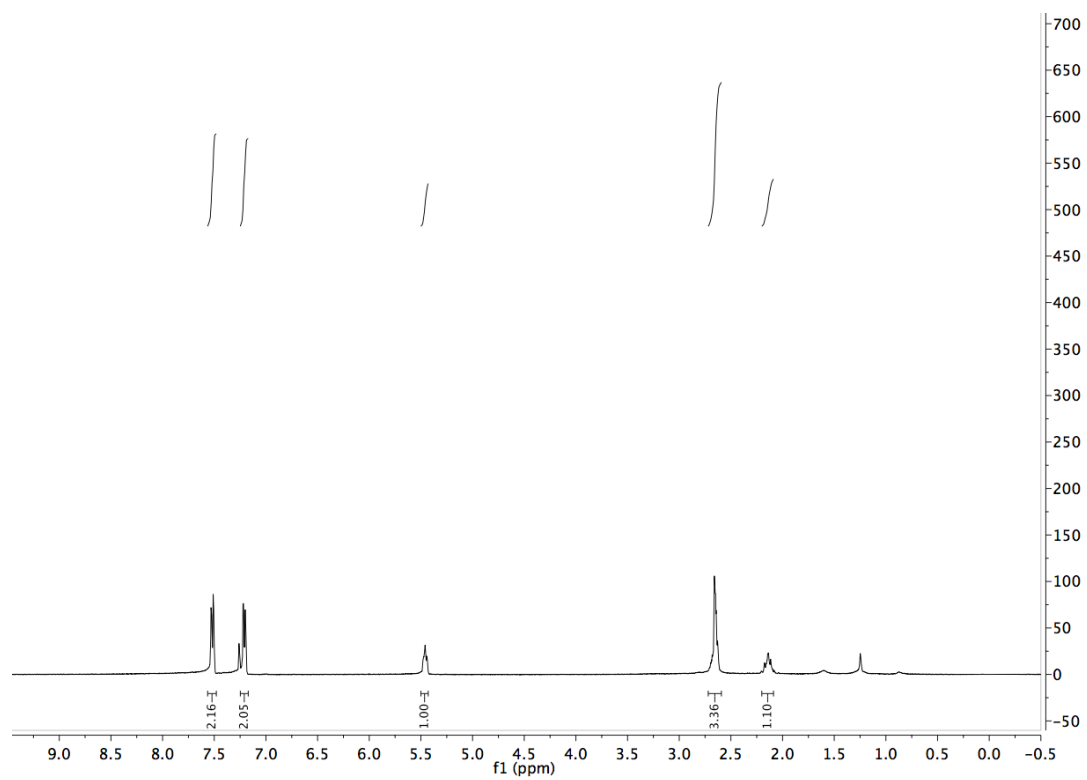
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¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 176.5, 138.4, 131.9, 126.9, 122.4, 80.4, 30.9, 28.8.

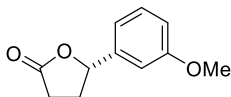
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[α]_D²⁵ = -32.0 (c = 0.5, CHCl₃)



(S)-5-(3-methoxyphenyl)dihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (4.4e).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 85% yield (32.6 mg, 0.17 mmol) as a colorless liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 14% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.15 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

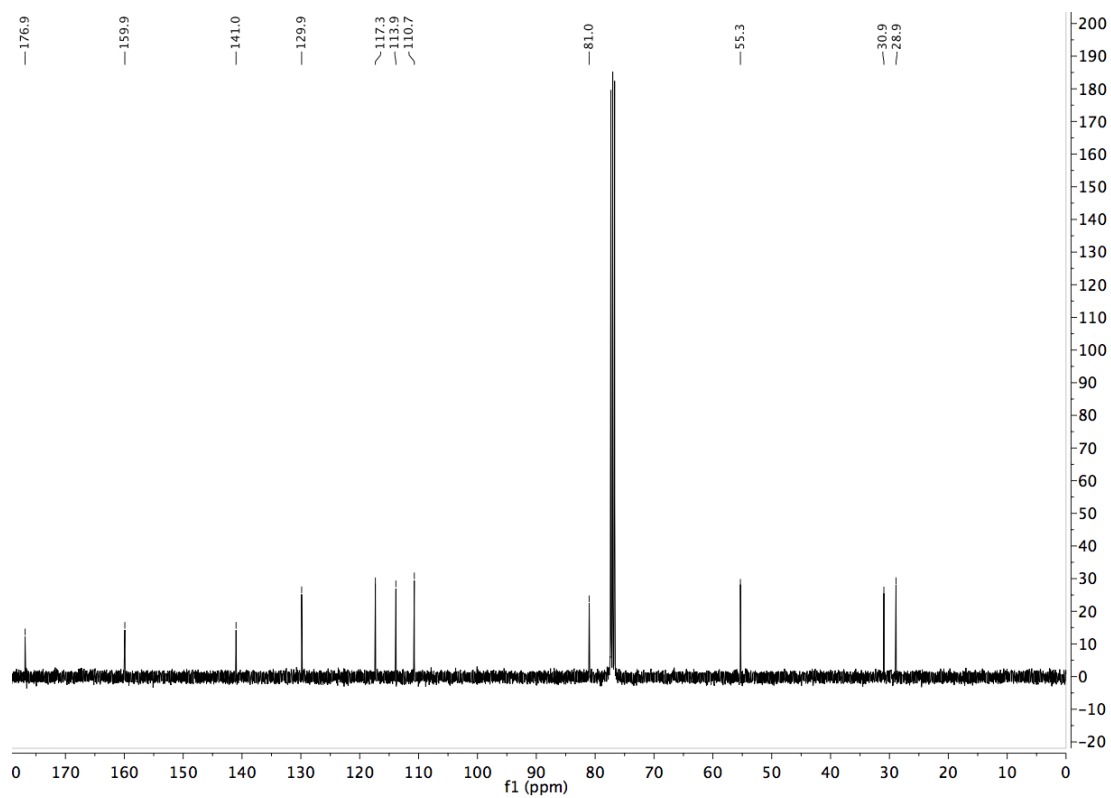
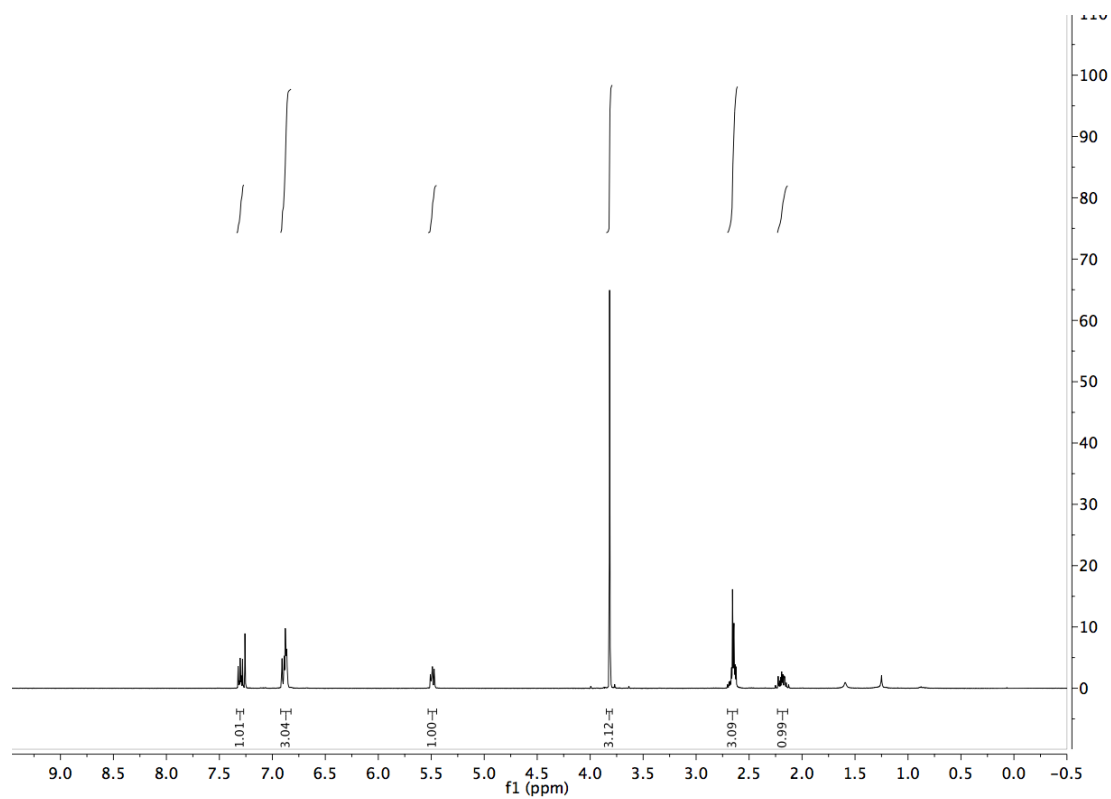
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 6.92 – 6.83 (m, 3H), 5.49 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 2.71 – 2.60 (m, 3H), 2.24 – 2.13 (m, 1H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 176.9, 159.9, 141.0, 129.9, 117.3, 113.9, 110.7, 81.0, 55.3, 31.0, 28.9.

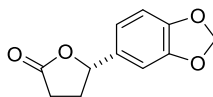
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[α]_D²⁵ = -32.3 (c = 0.35, CHCl₃)



(S)-5-(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)dihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (4.4f).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 79% yield (32.5 mg, 0.158 mmol) as a colorless liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 14% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.15 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

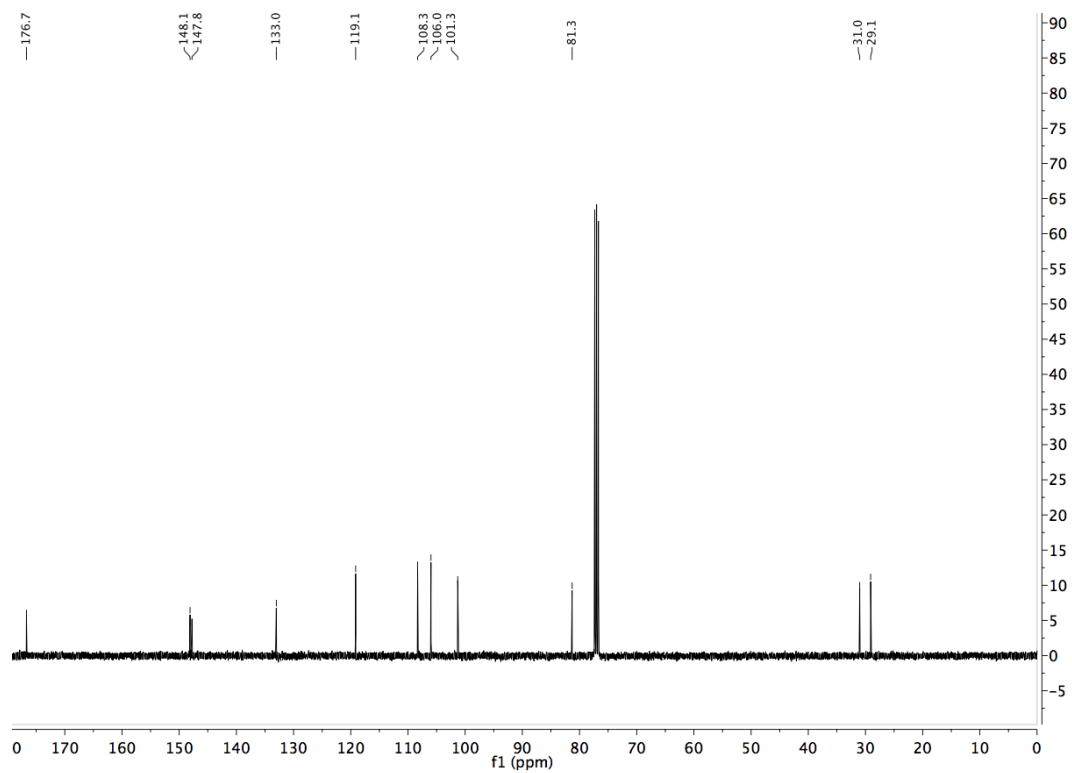
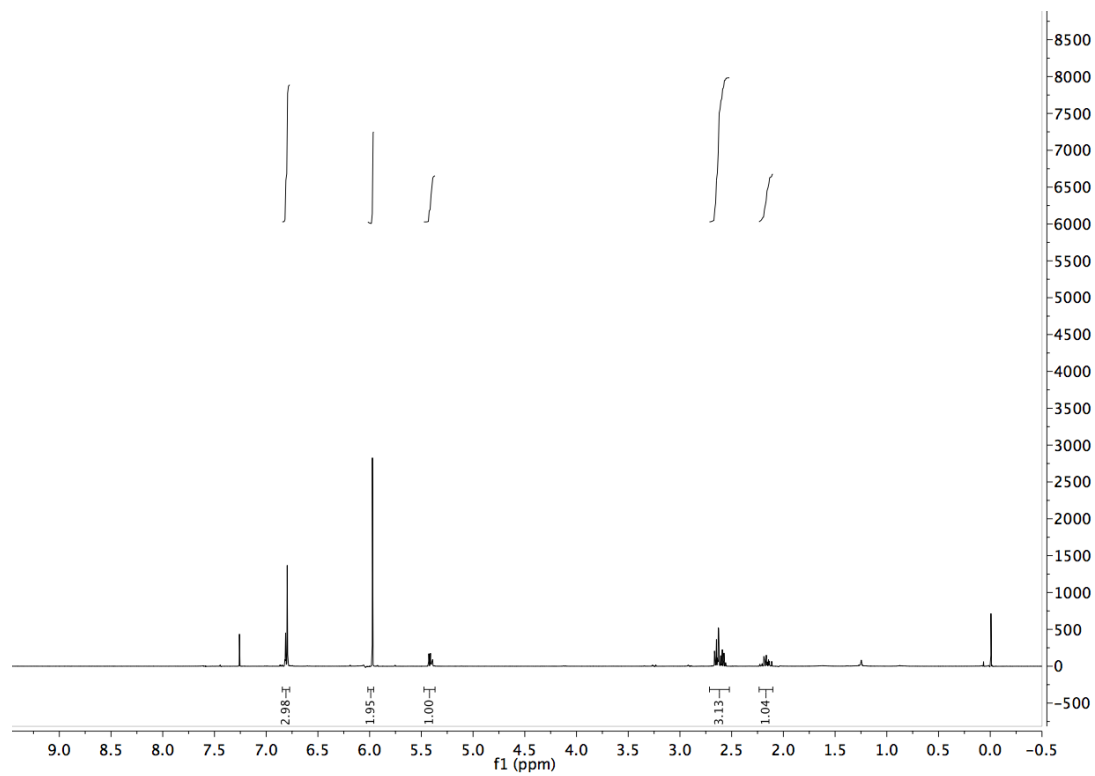
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.83 – 6.78 (m, 3H), 5.97 (s, 2H), 5.41 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 6.3 Hz, 1H), 2.67 – 2.55 (m, 3H), 2.24 – 2.10 (m, 1H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 176.7, 148.1, 147.8, 133.0, 119.2, 108.3, 106.0, 101.3, 81.3, 31.0, 29.1.

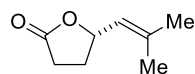
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[α]_D²⁵ = -21.7 (c = 0.6, CHCl₃)



(S)-5-(2-methylprop-1-en-1-yl)dihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (4.4h).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 77% yield (21.6 mg, 0.154 mmol) as a colorless liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 10% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.25 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

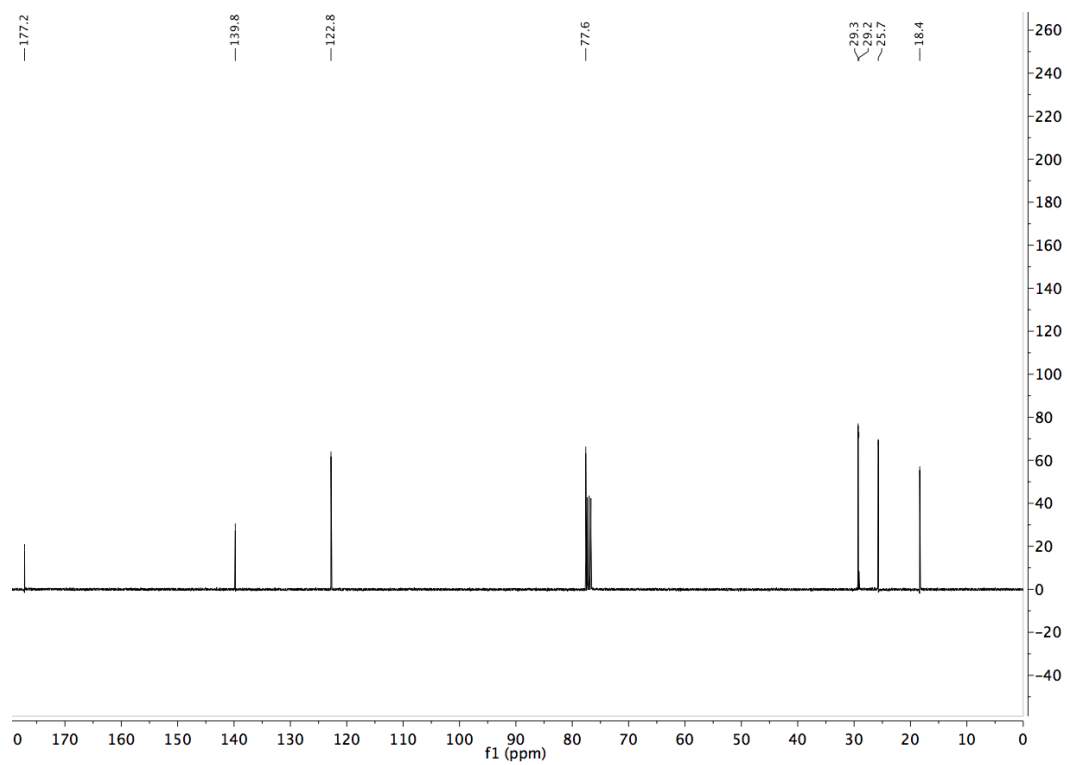
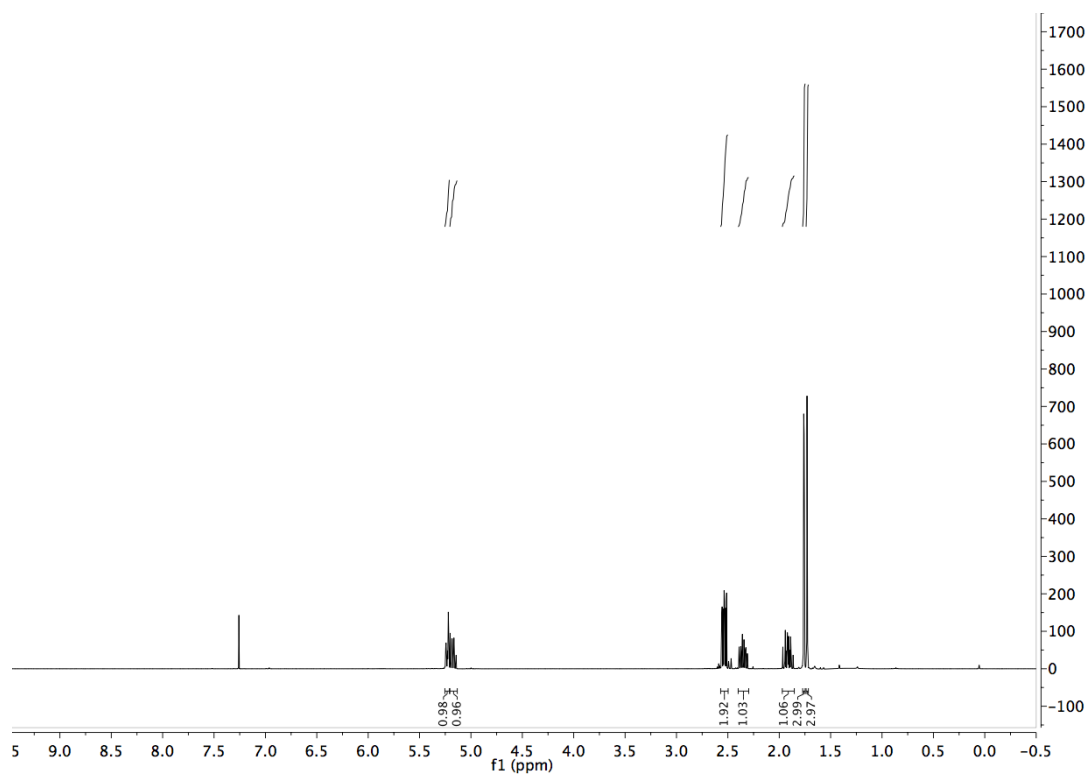
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.23 (dp, *J* = 8.7, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 5.23 – 5.12 (m, 1H), 2.57 – 2.50 (m, 2H), 2.40 – 2.30 (m, 1H), 1.97 – 1.85 (m, 1H), 1.76 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 3H), 1.73 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 177.2, 139.8, 122.8, 77.6, 29.3, 29.2, 25.7, 18.4.

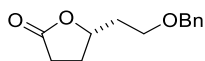
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FTIR (neat): 1772, 1376, 1228, 1217, 1177, 1007, 913 cm⁻¹.

[α]_D²⁵ = +57.1 (c = 1.25, CHCl₃)



(S)-5-(2-(benzyloxy)ethyl)dihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (4.4j).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 74% yield (32.6 mg, 0.148 mmol) as a colorless liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 20% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.1 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

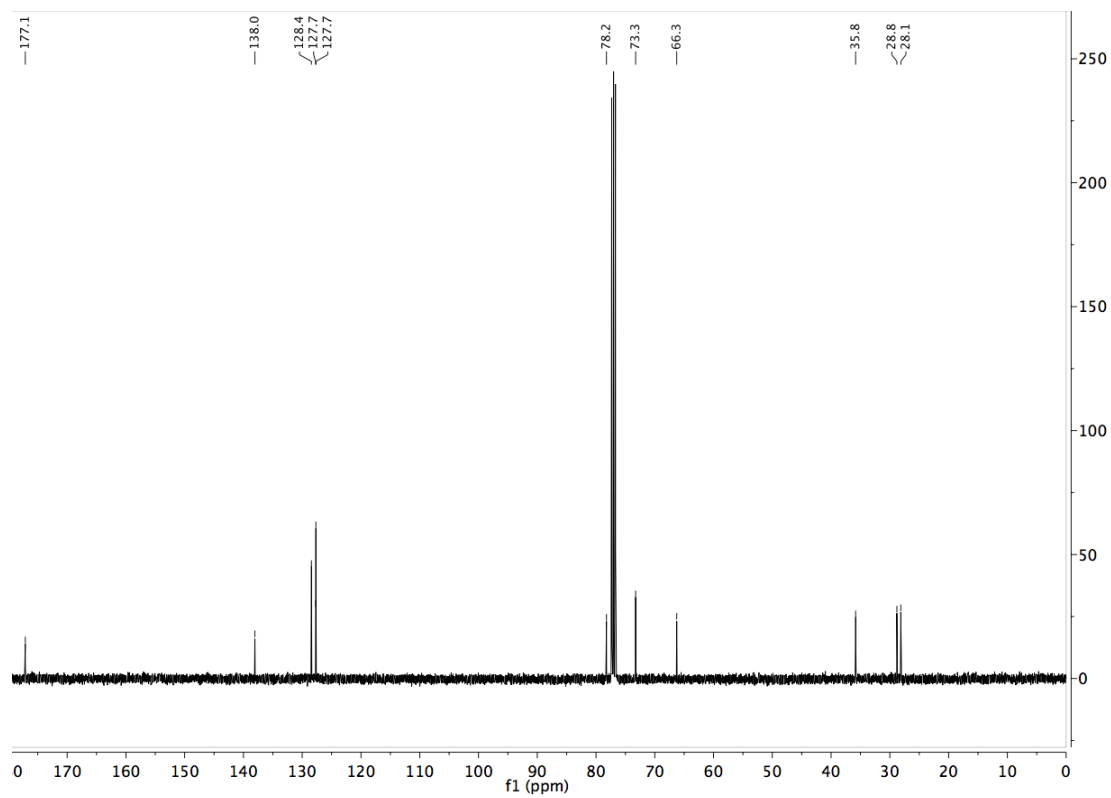
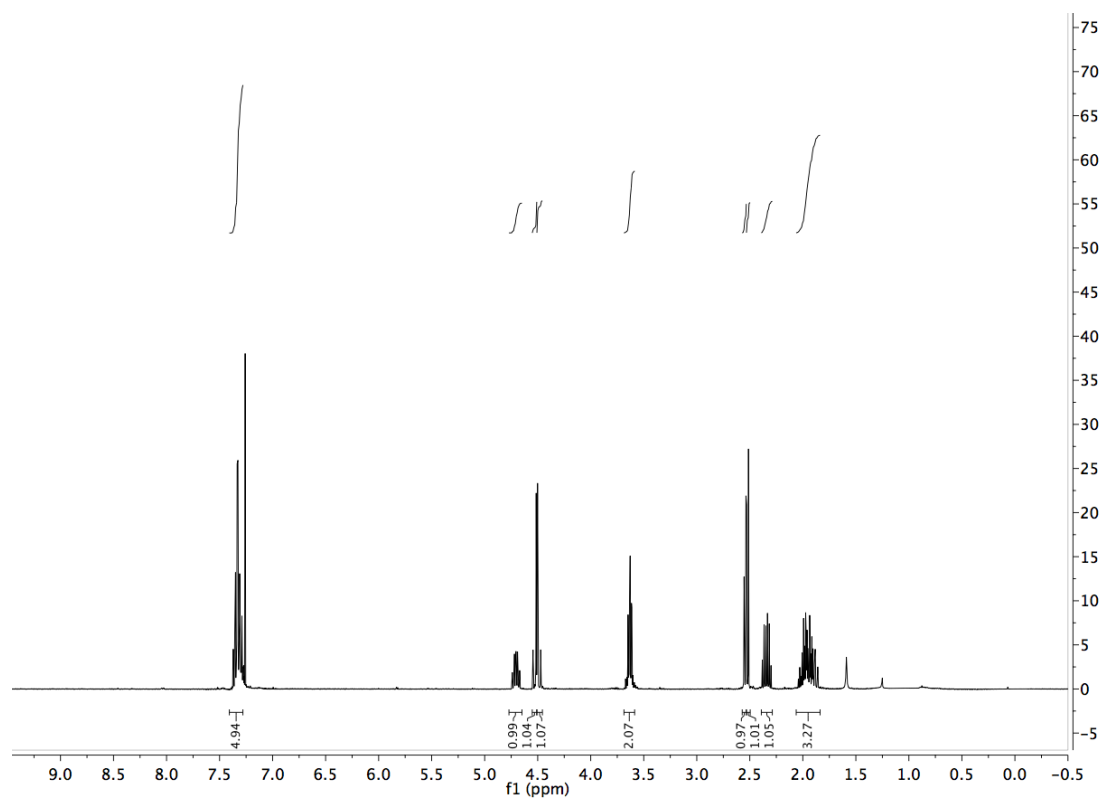
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40 – 7.26 (m, 5H), 4.77 – 4.64 (m, 1H), 4.53 (d, *J* = 11.9 Hz, 1H), 4.49 (d, *J* = 11.8 Hz, 1H), 3.68 – 3.58 (m, 2H), 2.55 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 2.52 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.41 – 2.27 (m, 1H), 2.05 – 1.85 (m, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 177.1, 138.1, 128.4, 127.7, 127.7, 78.2, 73.3, 66.3, 35.8, 28.8, 28.1.

LRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₃H₁₆NaO₃ [M+Na]⁺: 243, Found: 243.

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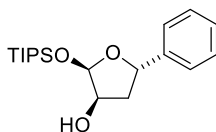
[α]_D²⁵ = +15.8 (c = 0.4, CHCl₃)



General Procedure and Preparation of 4.5a, 4.5c, 4.5e, 4.5f, 4.5j, 4.5k

To a solution of adduct **4.3** (0.20 mmol) in DCM (1.7 mL) at -20 °C was added a solution of *m*-CPBA (0.22 mmol, 110 mol%) in DCM (1.0 mL) over one hour via syringe pump. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at -20 °C for 1h, and then was allowed to stir at 0 °C for 24 hours. To the reaction mixture was added saturated NaHCO₃ (aq). The reaction mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel and the organic layer was washed with saturated NaHCO₃(aq), water, and brine. The organic layer was collected, dried (Na₂SO₄) and filtered. The solvents were removed *in vacuo* and the residue was subjected to column chromatography (SiO₂).

(2*R*,3*R*,5*S*)-5-phenyl-2-((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)tetrahydrofuran-3-ol (4.5a).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 74% yield (49.7 mg, 0.148 mmol) as a colorless liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 16% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.5 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

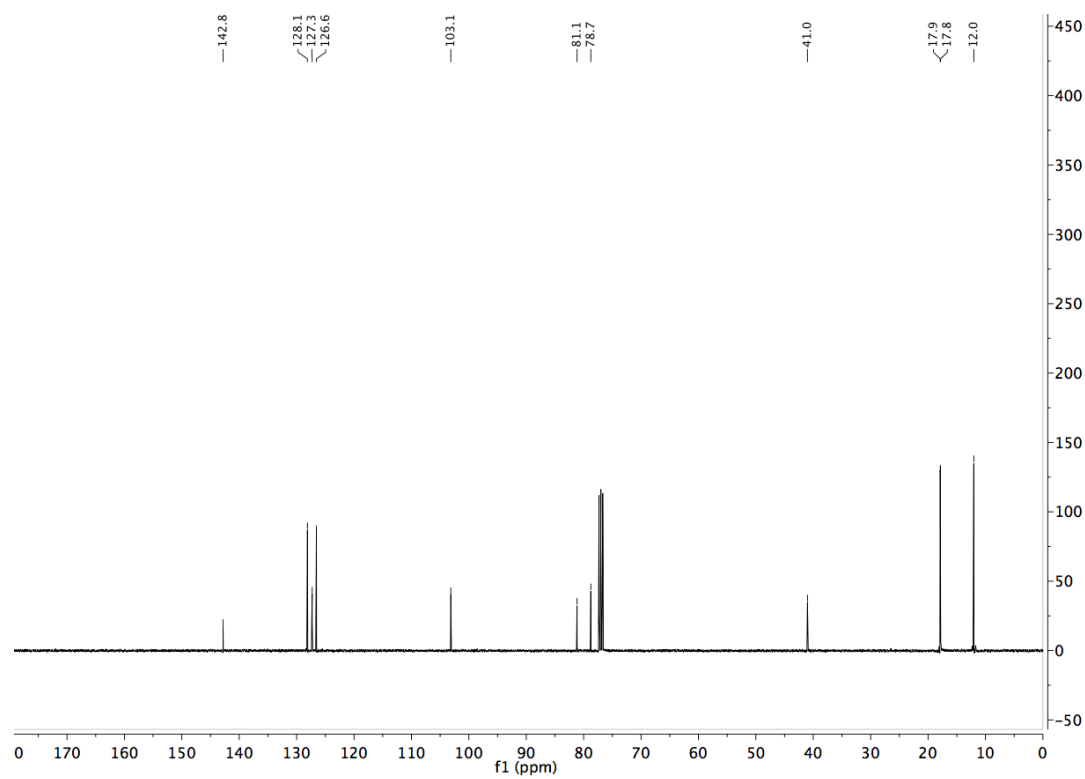
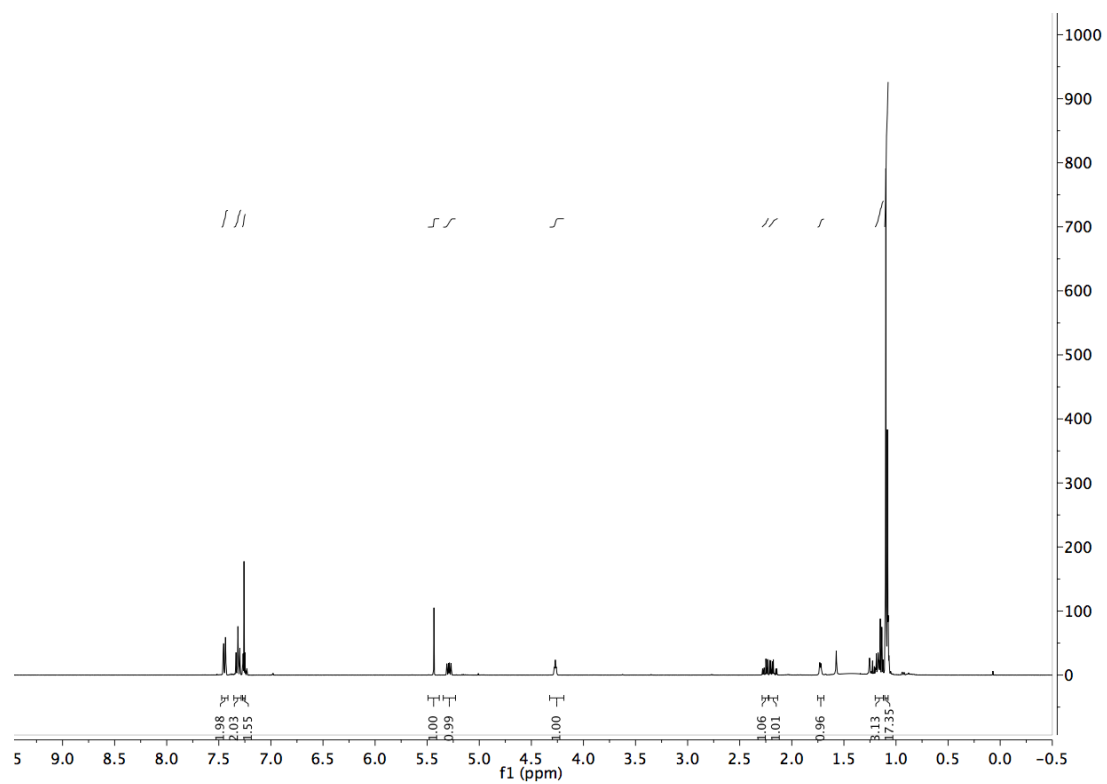
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.47 – 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.35 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.27 – 7.22 (m, 1H), 5.44 (s, 1H), 5.29 (dd, *J* = 10.1, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 4.30 – 4.24 (m, 1H), 2.26 (ddd, *J* = 13.3, 6.2, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 2.18 (ddd, *J* = 13.4, 10.1, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 1.73 (d, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 1.20 – 1.12 (m, 3H), 1.09 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 18H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 142.8, 128.1, 127.3, 126.6, 103.1, 81.2, 78.8, 41.0, 17.9, 17.8, 12.0.

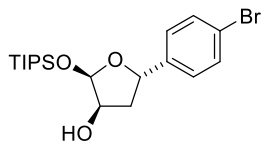
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[α]_D²⁵ = -53.3 (c = 0.4, CHCl₃)



(2*R*,3*R*,5*S*)-5-(4-bromophenyl)-2-((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)tetrahydrofuran-3-ol (4.5c).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 73% yield (60.4 mg, 0.146 mmol) as a colorless liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 15% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.3 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

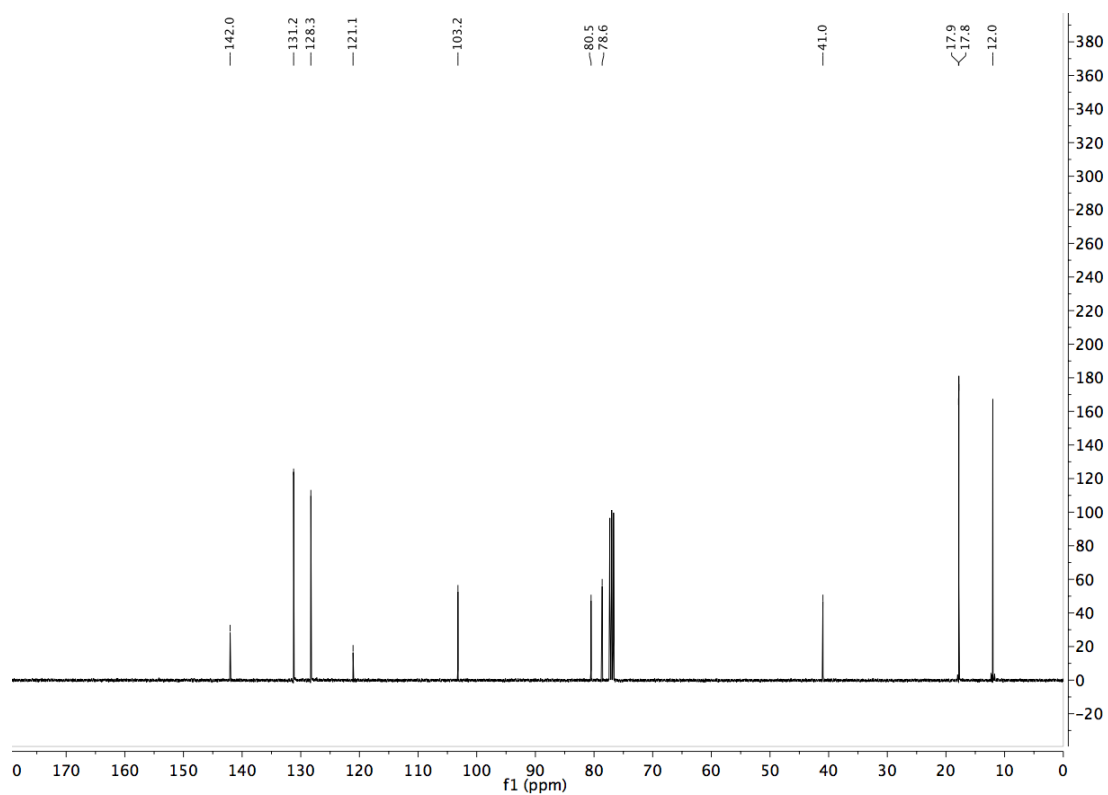
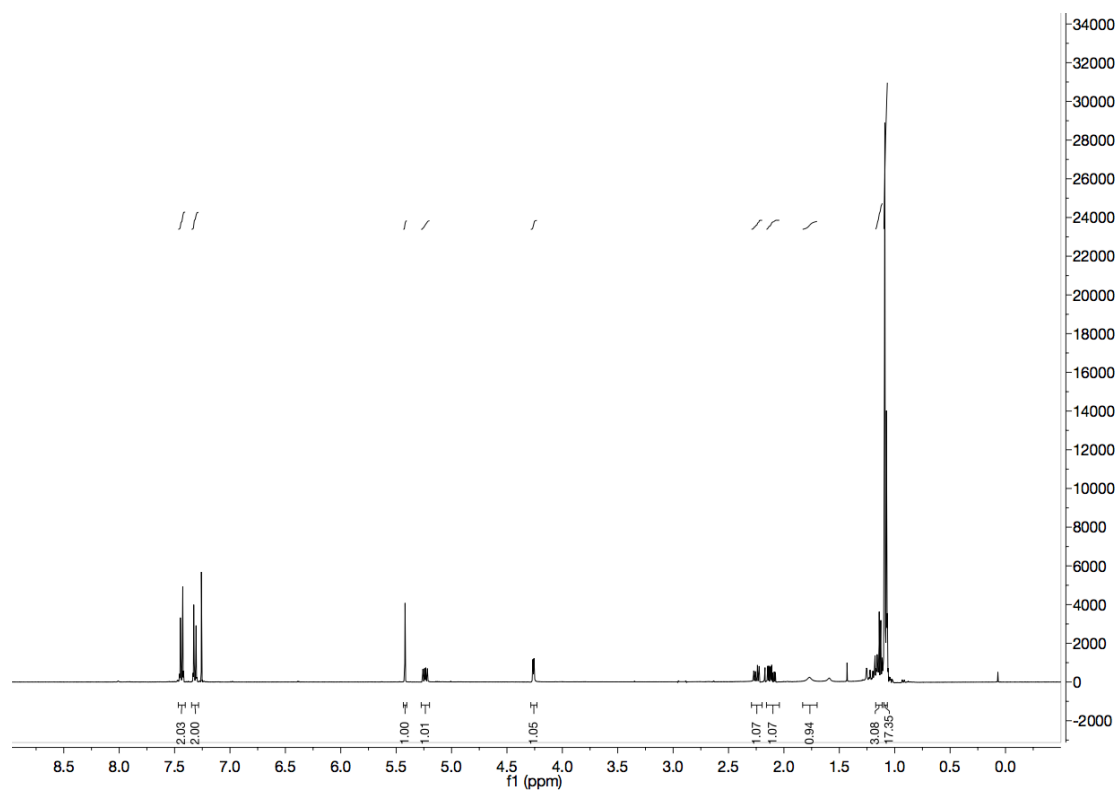
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.46 – 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.34 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 5.42 (s, 1H), 5.24 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 4.26 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.25 (dd, *J* = 13.3, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 2.11 (ddd, *J* = 13.4, 10.2, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 1.77 (s, 1H), 1.17 – 1.12 (m, 3H), 1.08 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 18H).

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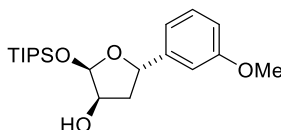
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[α]_D²⁵ = +37.8 (c = 0.68, CHCl₃)



(2*R*,3*R*,5*S*)-5-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2-((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)tetrahydrofuran-3-ol (4.5e).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 66% yield (48.3 mg, 0.132 mmol) as a colorless liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 15% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.3 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

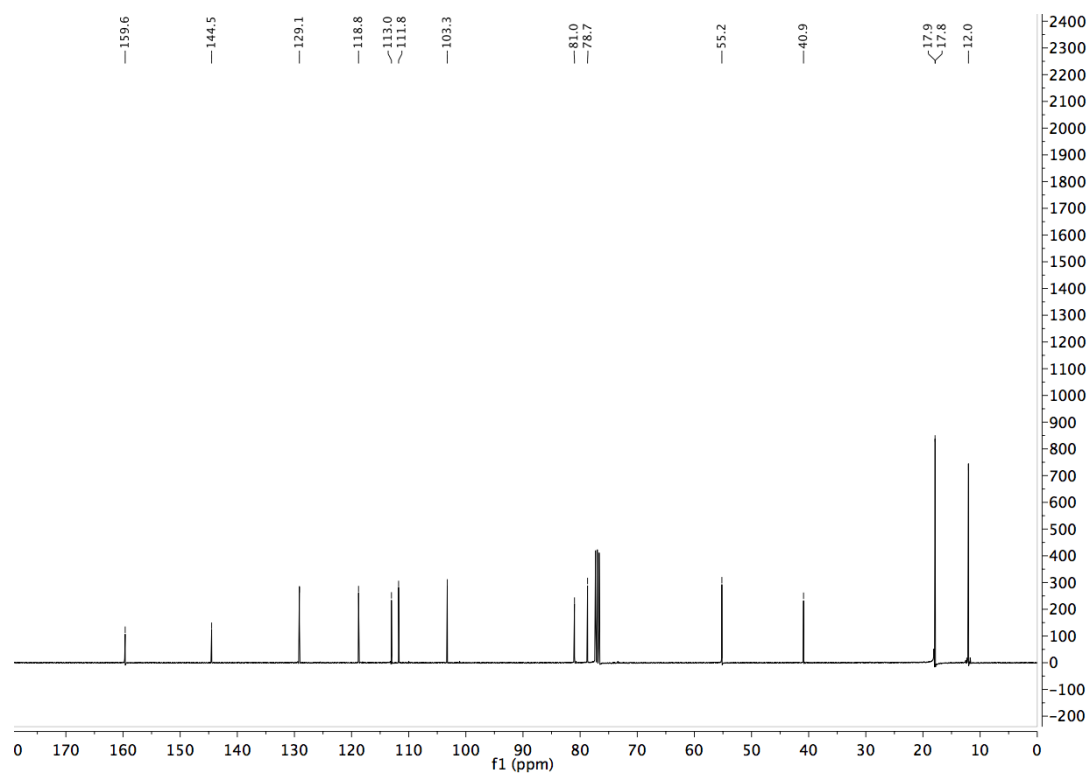
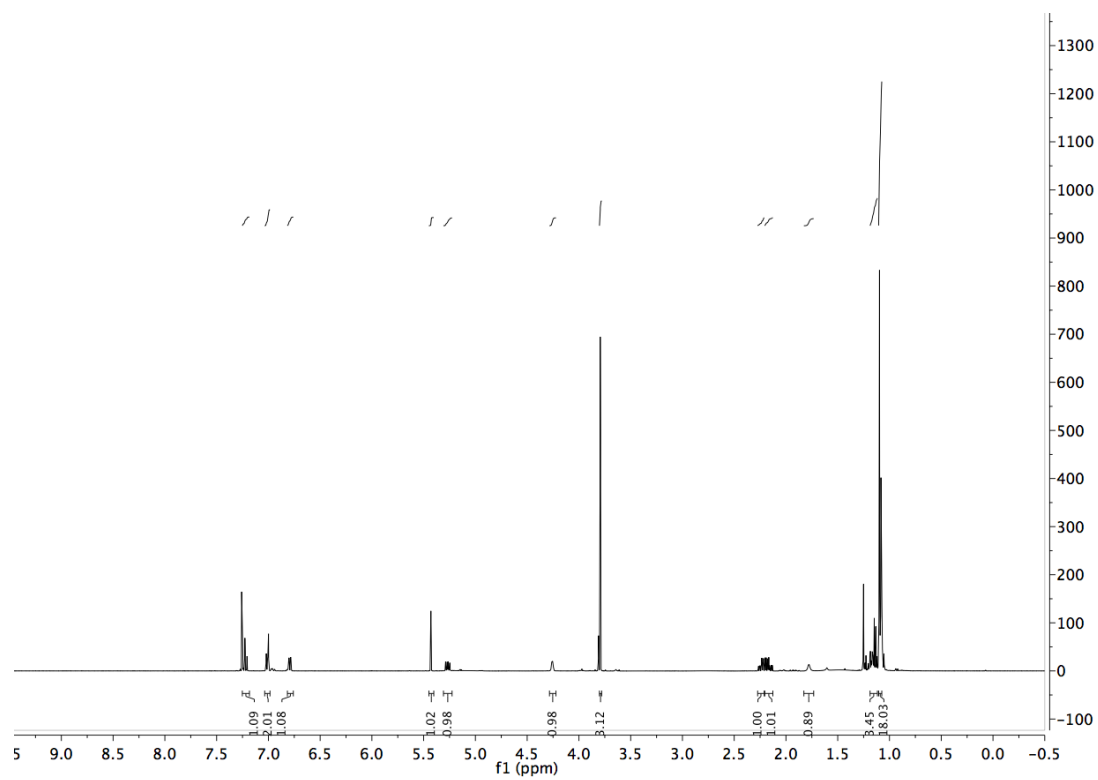
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.25 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 7.04 – 6.97 (m, 2H), 6.81 – 6.76 (m, 1H), 5.43 (s, 1H), 5.27 (dd, *J* = 10.1, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 4.29 – 4.22 (m, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 2.24 (ddd, *J* = 13.3, 6.1, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 2.17 (ddd, *J* = 13.3, 10.2, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 1.78 (s, 1H), 1.18 – 1.12 (m, 3H), 1.11 – 1.07 (m, 18H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 159.6, 144.5, 129.1, 118.8, 113.0, 111.8, 103.3, 81.0, 78.7, 55.2, 40.9, 17.9, 17.8, 12.0.

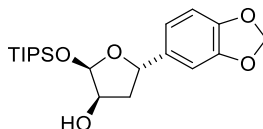
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FTIR (neat): 2944, 2866, 1464, 1263, 1078, 1027, 995, 882, 788, 683 cm⁻¹.

[α]_D²⁵ = - 29.4 (*c* = 0.85, CHCl₃)



(2*R*,3*R*,5*S*)-5-(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-2-(((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)tetrahydrofuran-3-ol (4.5f).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 71% yield (54.0 mg, 0.142 mmol) as a colorless liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 15% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.4 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

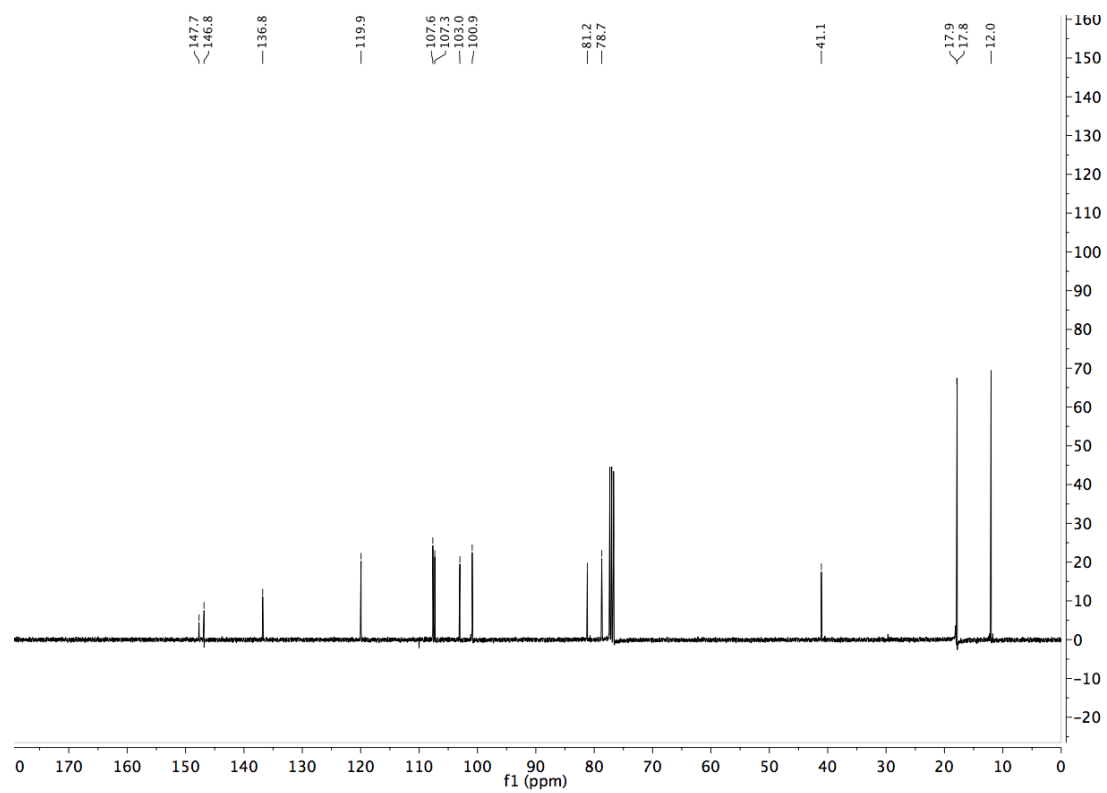
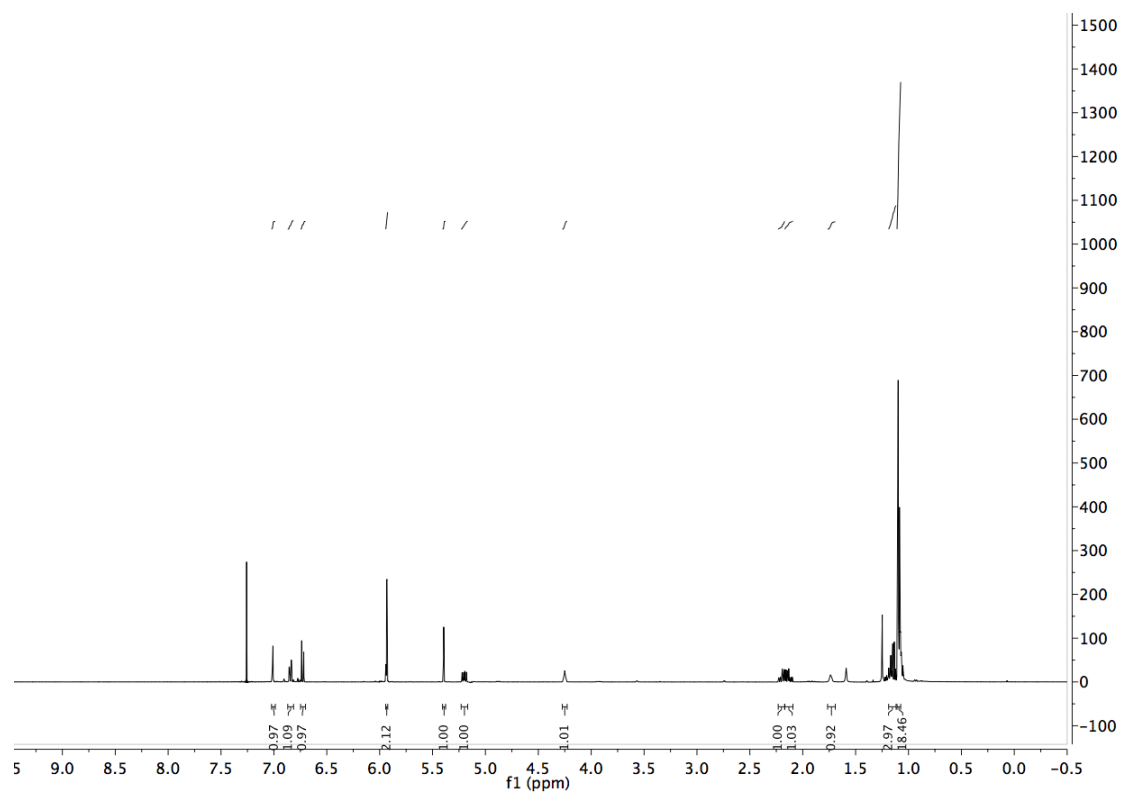
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.01 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (ddd, *J* = 8.0, 1.7, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 0.4 Hz, 1H), 5.94 – 5.92 (m, 2H), 5.39 (s, 1H), 5.20 (dd, *J* = 10.0, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 4.27 – 4.21 (m, 1H), 2.20 (ddd, *J* = 13.4, 6.2, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 2.13 (ddd, *J* = 13.5, 10.0, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 1.74 (s, 1H), 1.19 – 1.12 (m, 3H), 1.11 – 1.07 (m, 18H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 147.7, 146.8, 136.8, 120.0, 107.7, 107.3, 103.0, 100.9, 81.2, 78.7, 41.09, 17.9, 17.8, 12.0.

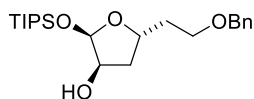
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[α]_D²⁵ = - 42.1 (c = 0.87, CHCl₃)



(2*R*,3*R*,5*S*)-5-(2-(benzyloxy)ethyl)-2-((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)tetrahydrofuran-3-ol (4.5j).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 61% yield (48.1 mg, 0.122 mmol) as a colorless liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 14% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.3 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

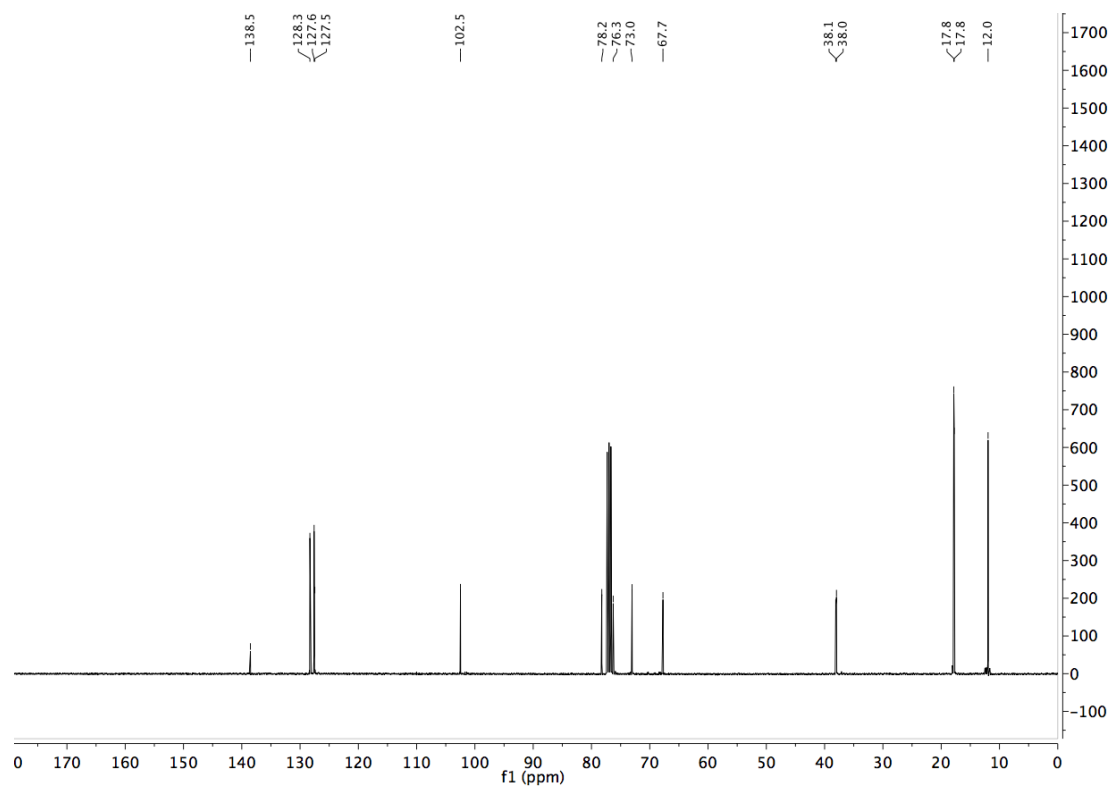
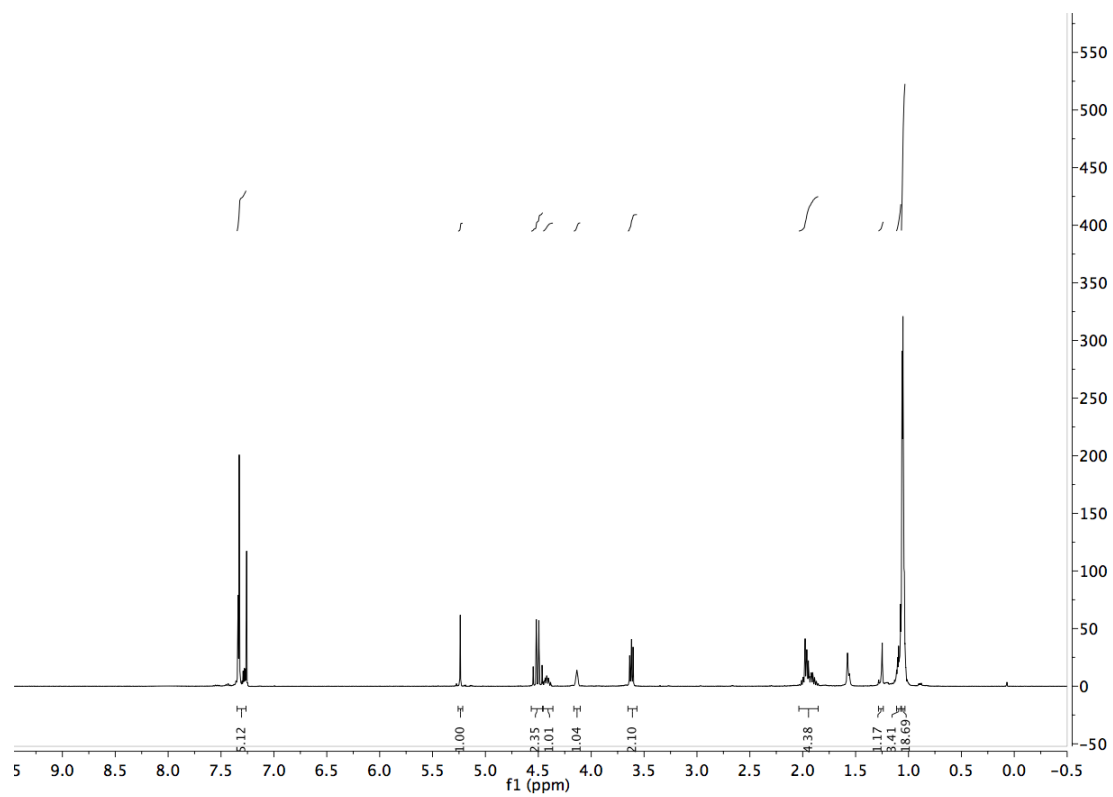
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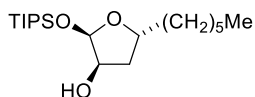
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[α]_D²⁵ = - 34.9 (c = 0.43, CHCl₃)



(2*R*,3*R*,5*S*)-5-hexyl-2-((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)tetrahydrofuran-3-ol (4.5k).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 63% yield (43.3 mg, 0.126 mmol) as a colorless liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 12% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.5 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

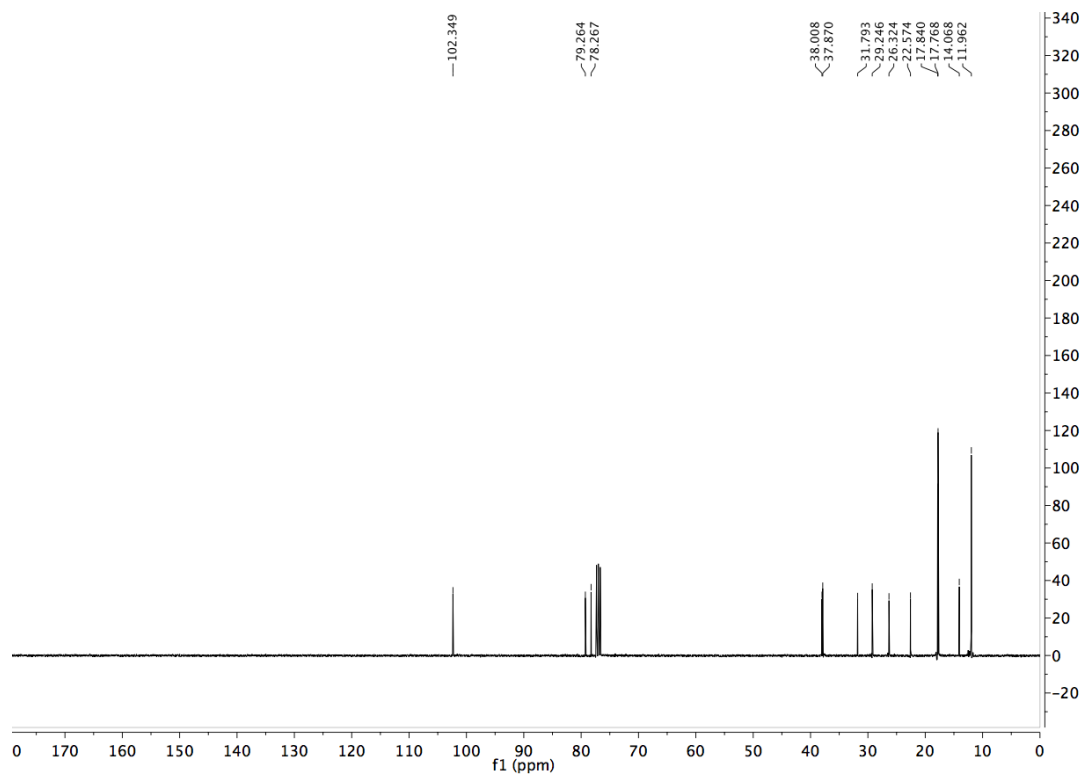
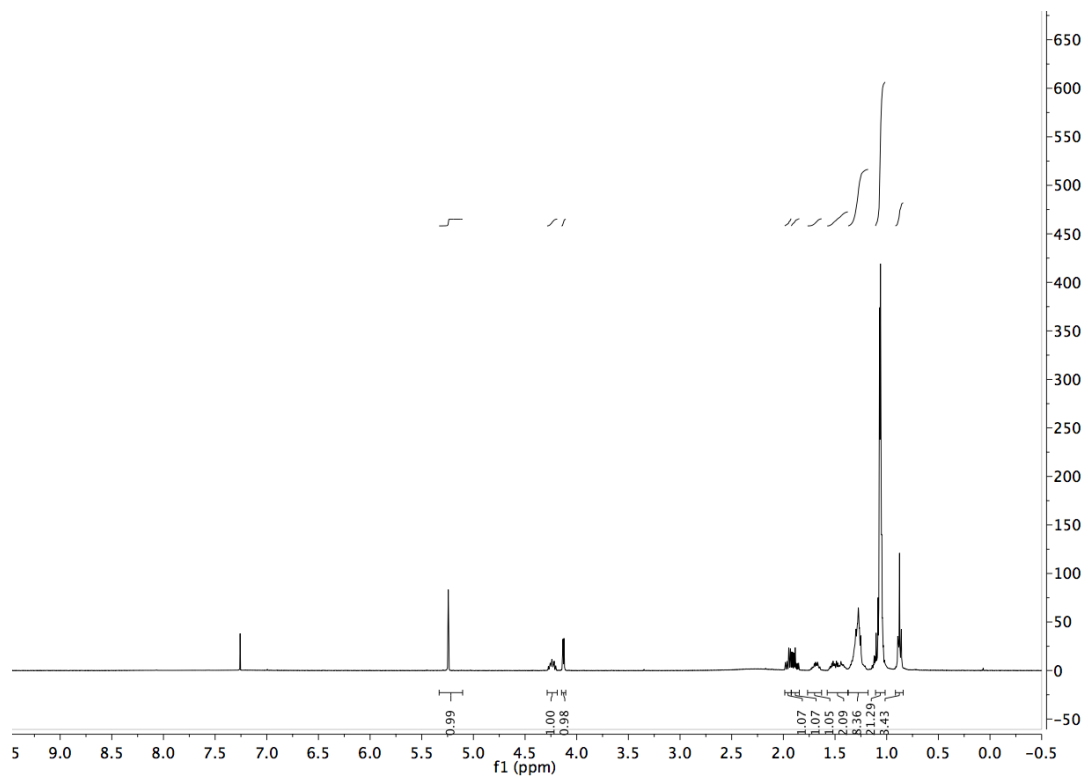
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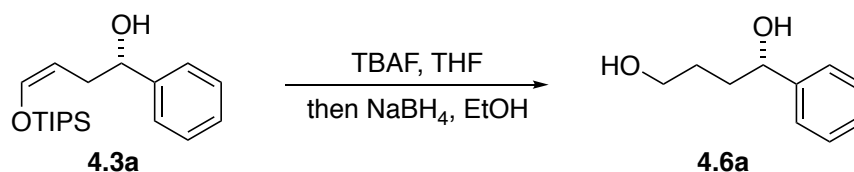
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[α]_D²⁵ = - 32.0 (c = 0.75, CHCl₃)



Absolute Stereochemical Assignment of 4.3a



To a solution of **4.3a** (0.2 mmol) in THF (2.0 mL) was added TBAF (1.0 M in THF, 0.2 mL, 100 mol%) dropwise at 0°C. The mixture was stirred at r.t for 30 min, then NaBH₄ (14.8 mg, 0.4 mmol), EtOH (1.0 mL) were added. After 1 h, the reaction was quenched by NH₄Cl (aq), and extracted by EA. Organic layer was washed by water, brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography (SiO₂, eluent Hexanes:EA = 2:1) to afford diol **4.6a** (95%).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35 – 7.23 (m, 5H), 4.70 (t, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 3.68 – 3.58 (m, 2H), 3.10 (bs, 2H), 1.89 – 1.83 (m, 2H), 1.74 – 1.61 (m, 2H).

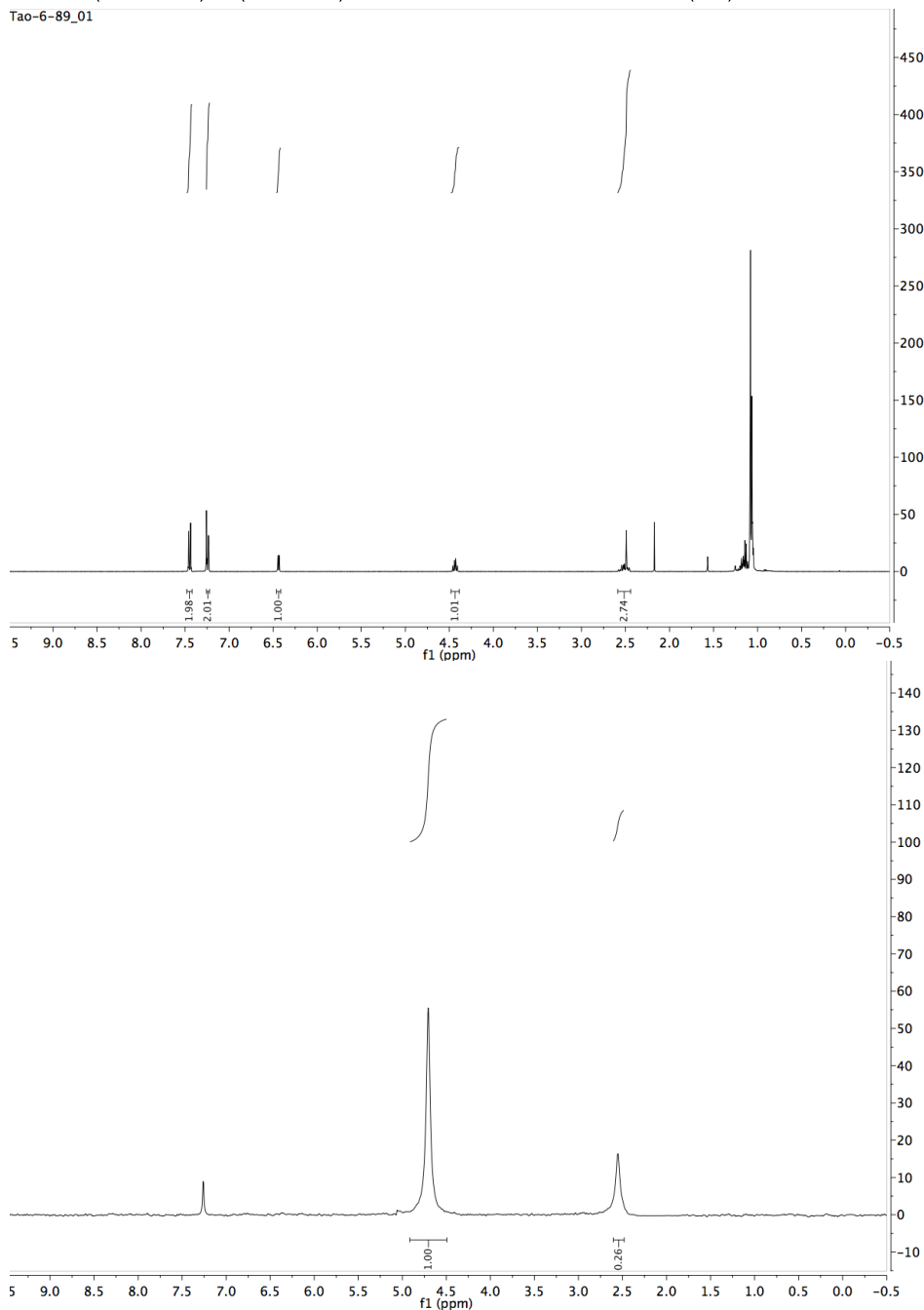
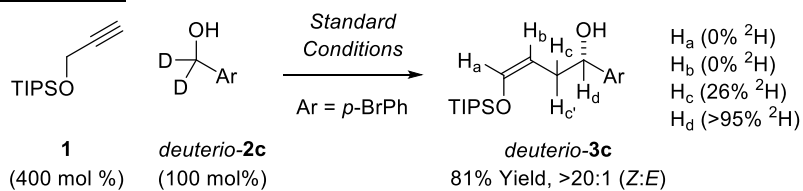
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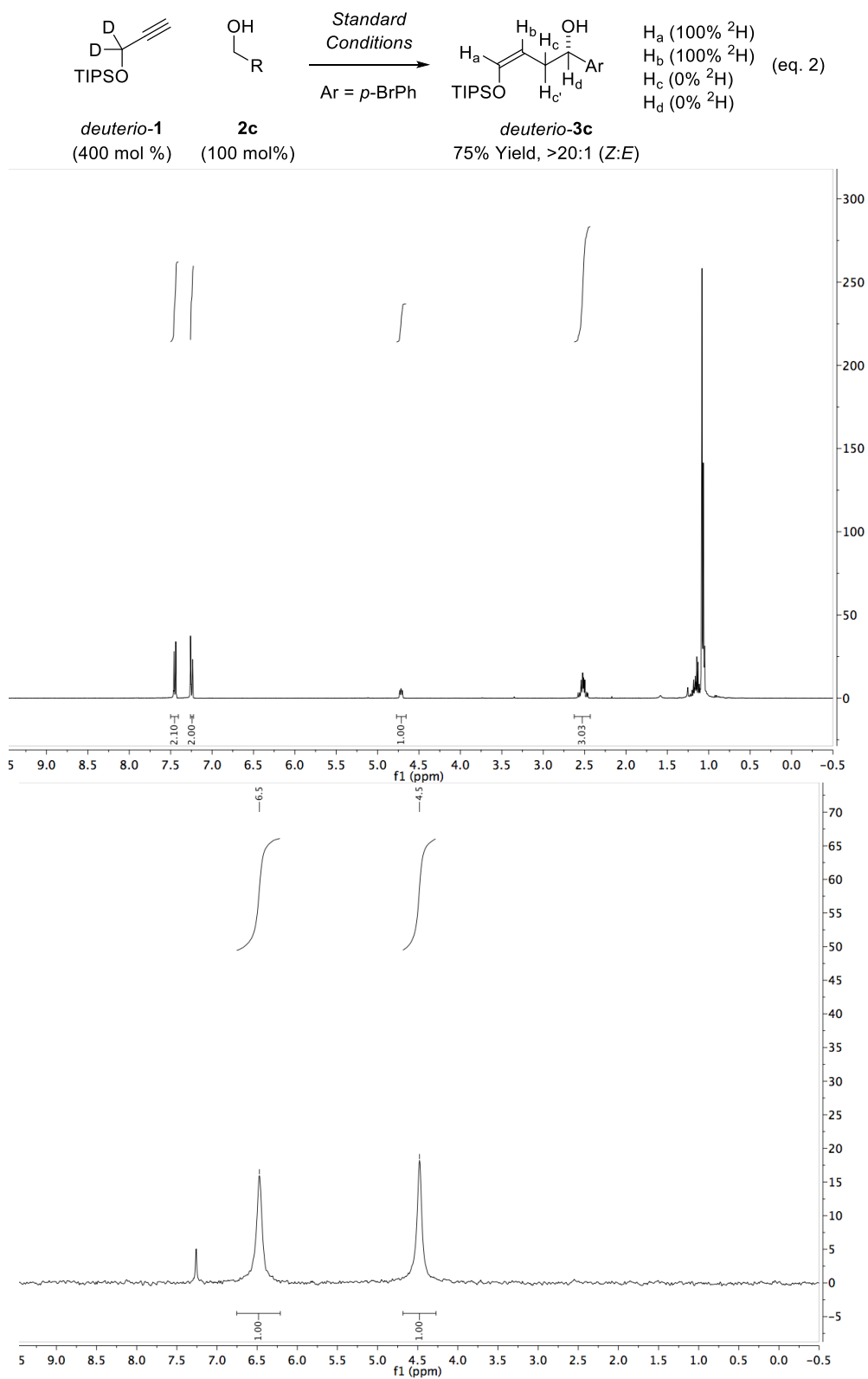
The spectroscopy data (¹H, ¹³C NMR) matched the literature data¹

Optical rotation of **4.6a**: [α]_D²⁵ = - 31.0 (c = 1.0, MeOH) (94% *ee*). Literature¹ optical rotation for (*S*)-1-phenylbutane-1,4-diol: [α]_D²⁰ = - 33.5 (c = 1.0, MeOH) (98.7% *ee*)

4.6a was assigned to be (*S*)-1-phenylbutane-1,4-diol, therefor **4.3a** was assigned to be (*S,Z*)-1-phenyl-4-((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)but-3-en-1-ol.

Isotopic Labeling Studies





Chapter 5: Ruthenium Catalyzed Redox-Triggered Carbonyl *anti*-(α -Amino)allylation by Coupling with Acetylenic Pyrrole*

5.1 INTRODUCTION

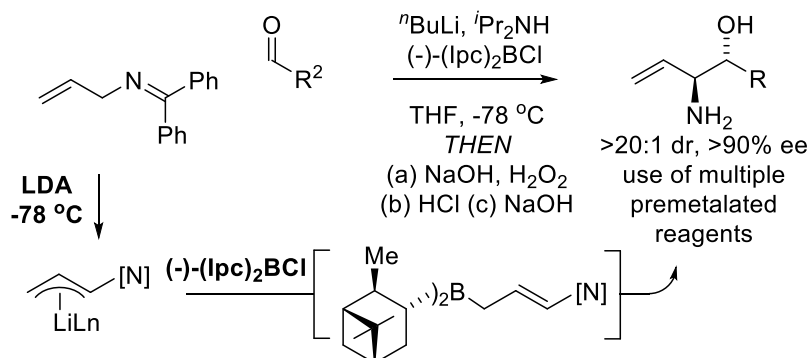
2-Amino alcohols are common moieties found in natural products and fine chemicals.¹ While there are very few reports on the construction of 2-amino alcohol moieties. Barrett reported asymmetric syntheses of anti- β -amino alcohols by coupling of allylborane with aldehydes (Figure 5.1).² To come up with an alternative to nonstabilized carbanion addition to carbonyl compounds, Krische group has developed a broad system of catalytic carbonyl addition reactions by coupling of carbonyl compounds with different π -unsaturated compounds, which allowed the direct conversion of primary alcohols to secondary alcohol.³

In 2009, Krische group reported the carbonyl anti-(α -amino)allylation by coupling of N-substituted allenes with aldehyde under ruthenium catalysis via 2-propanol mediated reductive coupling.⁴ Later, Krische group also reported the redox-neutral coupling between N-substituted allenes and primary alcohols under ruthenium catalysis, which also represented a byproduct free protocol.⁵ However, to achieve a good *anti*-diastereoselectivity, the protecting groups on the nitrogen atom are very crucial. Both p-nitrobenzenesulfonyl and 2,4-dimethoxybenzyl protecting groups were required, so the elaboration of the coupling products was limited. A more desirable protecting group for amines was found, by which the amines was protect as 2,5-dimethylpyrrole and could be removed easily by treatment with hydroxylamine hydrochloride.⁶ Also, we found alkynes could be a precursor to allenes^{7,8} under ruthenium catalysis via isomerization, and then allenes were converted to π -allylruthenium species through hydrometalation.⁸

In this chapter, a more desirable allyl donor for carbonyl *anti*-(α -amino)allylation was reported, N-propynyl-2,5-dimethylpyrrole **5.1**, which served as a pronucleophiles in carbonyl anti-(α -amino)allylation (Scheme 5.1).

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Prior Work: Classical Asymmetric Carbonyl Aminoallylation



This Work: Vicinal Amino Alcohols from *N*-Alkynes via Dual Catalysis

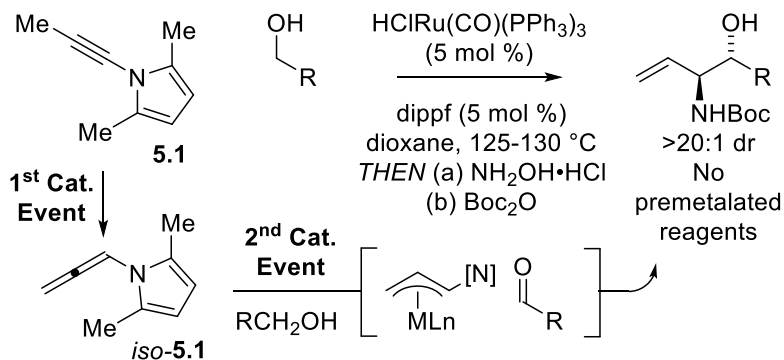
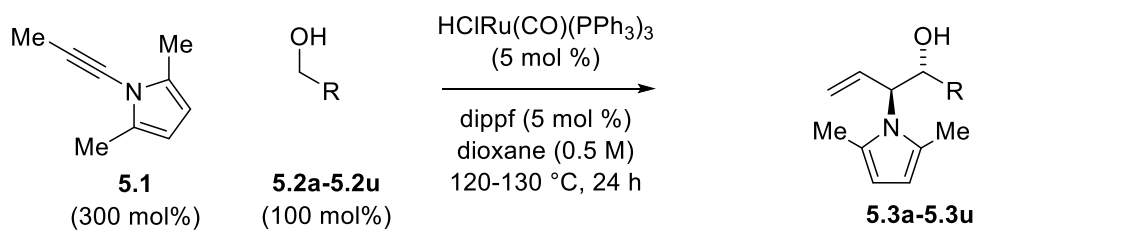
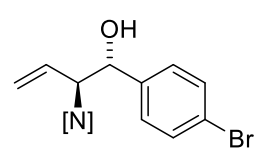
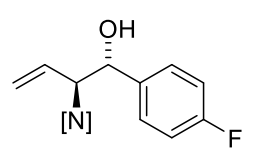
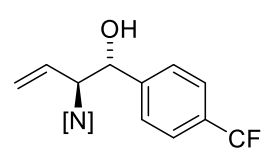
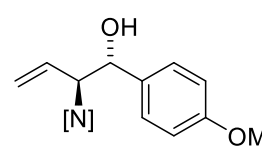
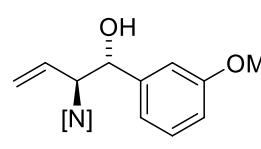
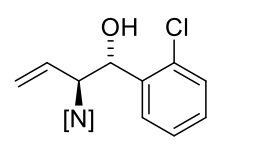
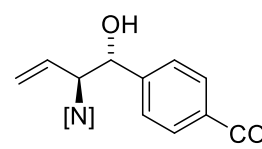
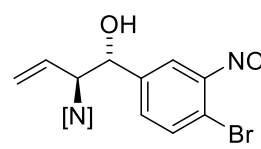
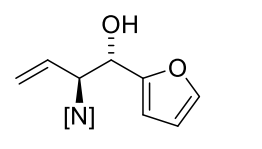
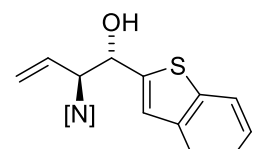
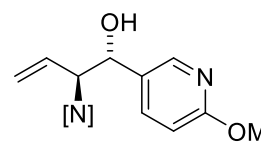
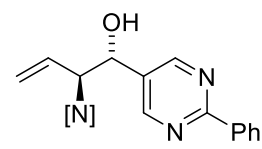


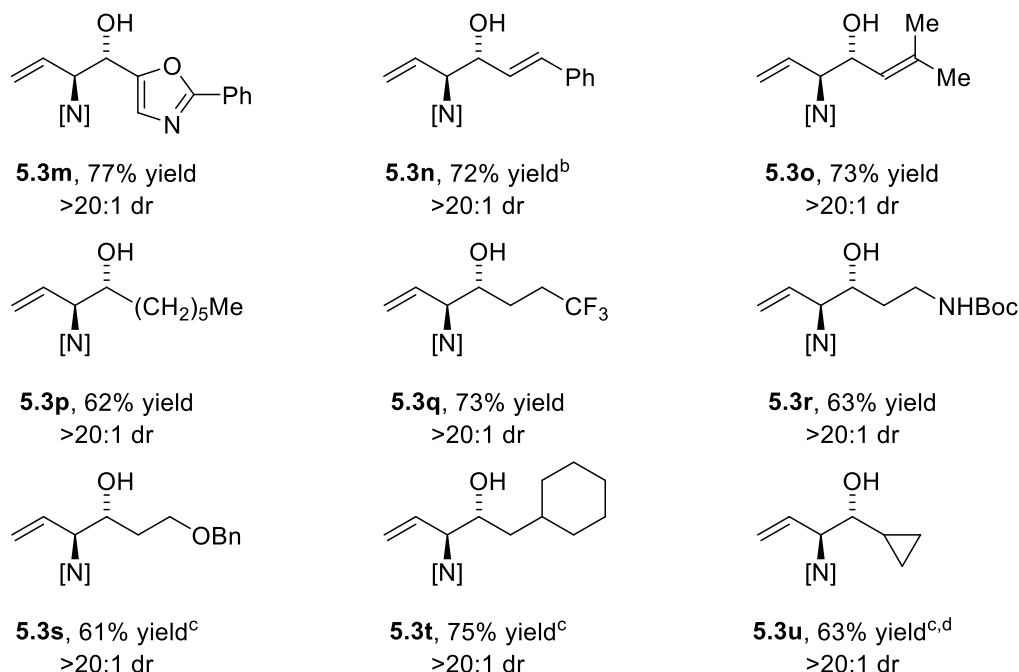
Figure 5.1 Classical Carbonyl (α -Amino)allylation and Catalytic Carbonyl (α -Amino)allylation via Coupling of Alcohols with Alkyne.

5.2 REACTION DEVELOPMENT AND SCOPE

Initially *p*-bromobenzyl alcohol **5.2a** was subjected to acetylenic pyrrole **5.1** with $HClRu(CO)(PPh_3)_3$ and bidentate phosphine ligands, and *dippf* was found to be the optimal ligand for this transformation. Further optimization of solvents and temperature, carbonyl (α -amino)allylation product **5.3a** was obtained with 83% yield and complete *anti*-diastereoselectivity.

Table 5.1 Diastereoselective and Enantioselective Formation of 1,4-Diols **3.1a-3.5o**.

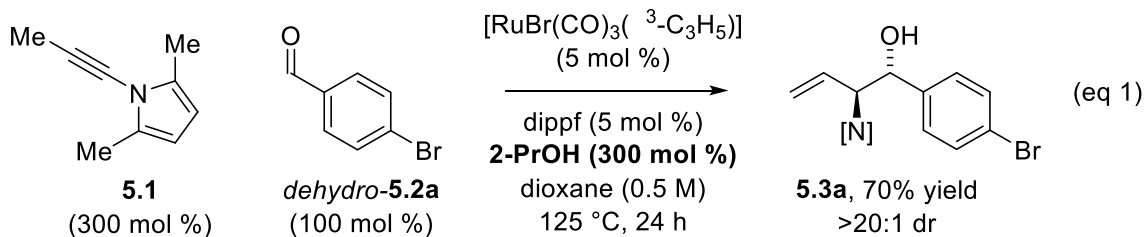
		
5.1 (300 mol%)	5.2a-5.2u (100 mol%)	5.3a-5.3u
5.2a , R = 4-Br-Phenyl 5.2d , R = 4-MeO-Phenyl 5.2g , R = 4-CO ₂ Me-Phenyl 5.2j , R = 2-Benzothieryl 5.2m , R = 5-(2-Ph-Oxazolyl) 5.2p , R = (CH ₂) ₅ Me 5.2s , R = CH ₂ CH ₂ OBn	5.2b , R = 4-F-Phenyl 5.2e , R = 3-MeO-Phenyl 5.2h , R = 4-Br-3-NO ₂ -Phenyl 5.2k , R = 5-(2-MeO-Pyridyl) 5.2n , R = (<i>trans</i>)-CH=CHPh 5.2q , R = CH ₂ CH ₂ CF ₃ 5.2t , R = CH ₂ (<i>c</i> -Hexyl)	5.2c , R = 4-CF ₃ -Phenyl 5.2f , R = 2-Cl-Phenyl 5.2i , R = 2-Furyl 5.2l , R = 5-(2-Ph-Pyrimidyl) 5.2o , R = CH=CMe ₂ 5.2r , R = CH ₂ CH ₂ NHBoc 5.2u , R = <i>c</i> -Propyl
 5.3a , 83% yield, >20:1 dr 74% yield (1 mmol scale)	 5.3b , 75% yield >20:1 dr	 5.3c , 96% yield >20:1 dr
 5.3d , 50% yield >20:1 dr	 5.3e , 71% yield >20:1 dr	 5.3f , 86% yield >20:1 dr
 5.3g , 73% yield >20:1 dr	 5.3h , 73% yield >20:1 dr	 5.3i , 71% yield ^b >20:1 dr
 5.3j , 87% yield >20:1 dr	 5.3k , 70% yield ^b >20:1 dr	 5.3l , 94% yield >20:1 dr



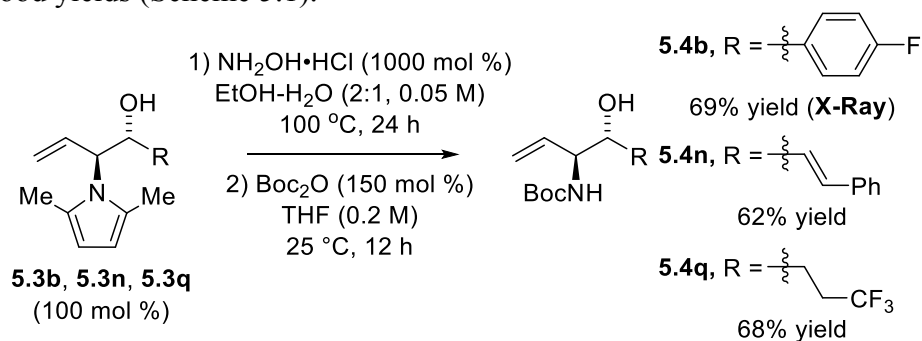
^aYields are material isolated by silica gel chromatography. See supporting Information for further experimental details. ^b2-PrOH (200 mol%). ^c48 h. ^dDioxane (1.0 M).

The optimal condition was applied to coupling of **5.1** with diverse primary alcohols (Table 5.1). Benzylic alcohols **5.2a-5.2h** and heterobenzylic alcohols **5.2i-5.2m** were converted to addition adduct with good to excellent yields. To our delight, different substituents on the aromatic rings were tolerable. Notably, different heterocycles, such as furan, benzothiophene, pyridine, pyrimidine, and oxazole, were tolerant under the standard condition. Allylic alcohols **5.2n-5.2o** and aliphatic alcohols **5.2p-5.2u** were also engaged in the coupling with good yields. The 1 mmol scale was conducted with *p*-bromobenzyl alcohol, and 74% yield was obtained.

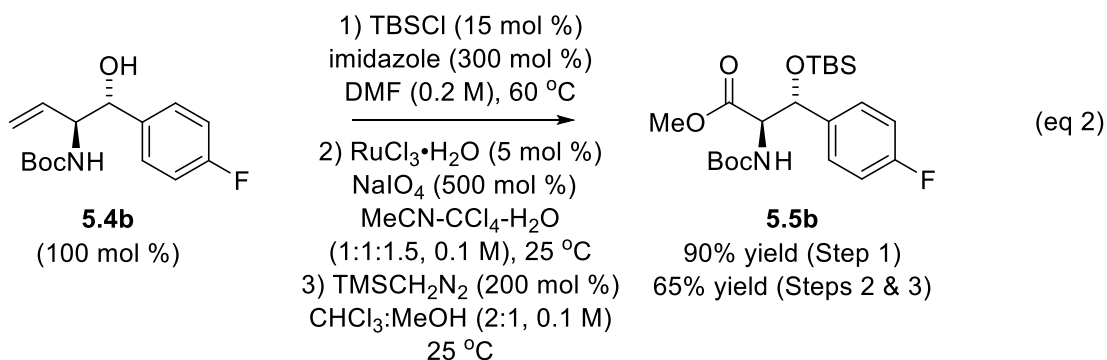
A side reaction was found during the formation of **5.3i**, **5.3k** and **5.3n**, which was formation of α , β -unsaturated ketones. By introduction of 2-propanol, the side reaction was suppressed. The reaction could proceed not only in redox-neutral manner, but also reductive coupling mediated by 2-propanol. Exposure of acetylenic pyrrole **5.1** to *p*-bromobenzaldehyde with ruthenium catalyst, dipprf and 2-propanol, comparable coupling yield was obtained (eq 1).



Deprotection of the coupling adducts were explored for **5.3b**, **5.3n**, and **5.3q** derived from aromatic, allylic, and aliphatic alcohols **5.2b**, **5.2n**, and **5.2q**. The coupling adducts were treated with hydroxylamine hydrochloride in aqueous ethanol under heating, followed by *N*-Boc-protection of the resulting 2-amino alcohols. Vicinal amino alcohols **5.4b**, **5.4n**, and **5.4q** were isolated in good yields (Scheme 5.1).



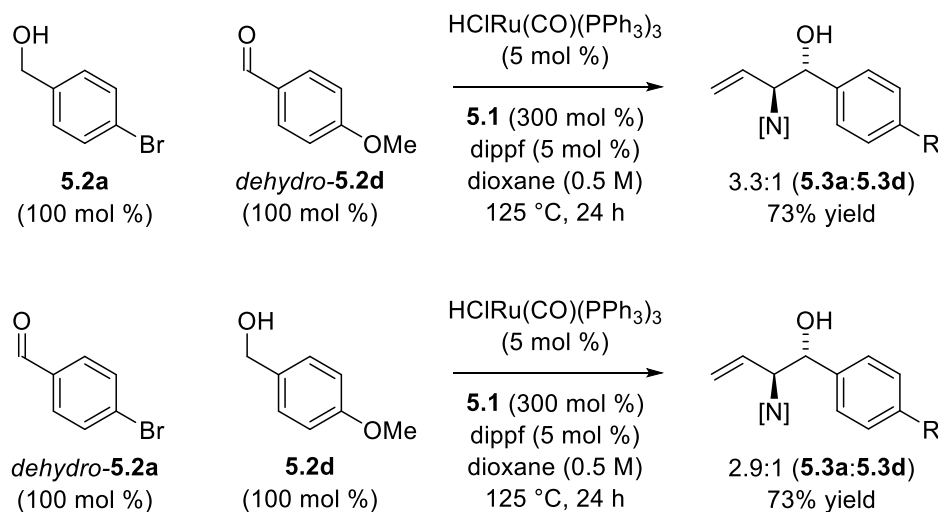
Scheme 5.1 Deprotection of Coupling Adducts to the Corresponding *N*-Boc-Protected Amino Alcohols.



Finally, to demonstrate the utility of this transformation, Boc-protected amino alcohol **5.4b** was converted to α -amino- β -hydroxyl amino ester **5.5b** via oxidative cleavage of alkene⁹ followed by treatment with TMS diazomethane (eq 2).

5.3 MECHANISM AND DISCUSSION

To obtain further insight in this transformation, the competition experiments were conducted (Scheme 5.2). When equimolar quantities of alcohol **5.2a** and aldehyde *dehydro*-**5.2d** were subjected to the standard reaction conditions, the coupling adducts **5.3a** and **5.3d** were produced with roughly 3:1 ratio. When the oxidation level of alcohol and aldehyde was inversed, similar coupling adduct ratio was obtained under the same reaction conditions. These data indicated that dehydrogenation of primary alcohols was rapid and reversible and carbonyl addition was the turnover limiting step.



Scheme 5.2 Competition Experiments Corroborating Rapid Reversible Dehydrogenation with Respect to Carbonyl Addition.

5.4 CONCLUSION

In summary, *anti*-diastereoselective carbonyl (α -amino)allylation by coupling of primary alcohols and acetylenic pyrrole **5.1** under ruthenium catalysis was reported. The coupling proceeded through two discrete catalytic cycle: alkyne-to-allene isomerization and allene-carbonyl coupling via transfer hydrogenation. This process also represented a byproduct free protocol.

5.5 EXPERIMENTAL DETAILS

General Information

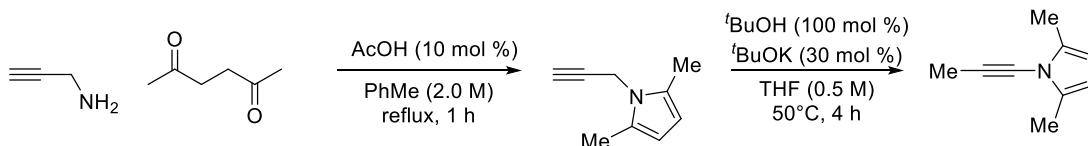
All reactions were run under an atmosphere of argon, unless otherwise indicated. Resealable pressure tubes (13x100 mm) were purchased from Fischer Scientific (catalog number 14-959-35C) and were flame dried followed by cooling in a desiccator or under a stream of argon prior to use. Tetrahydrofuran (THF) was dried over sodium metal, benzophenone, and distilled immediately prior to use. $\text{RuH}_2(\text{PPh}_3)_3$ were prepared according to literature procedure.¹ All ligands were used as received from Strem Chemicals Inc. Alcohols were purified by distillation or recrystallization immediately prior to use. Preparative column chromatography employing Silicycle silica gel (40-63 μm) was performed according to the method of Still.² Analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was carried out using 0.25 mm commercial silica gel plates (Dynamic Absorbents F254). Visualization was accomplished with UV light followed by dipping in Seebach's stain solution then heating. Purification of reactions was carried out by flash chromatography using Silicycle silica gel (40-63 μm).

Spectroscopy, Spectrometry, and Data Collection

Infrared spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 1600 spectrometer. Low-resolution mass spectra (LRMS) were obtained on a Karatos MS9 and are reported as m/z (relative intensity). Accurate masses are reported for the molecular ion ($M+H$, $M+Na$), or a suitable fragment ion. Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (1H NMR) spectra were recorded with a Varian Gemini (400 MHz) spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported in delta (δ) units, parts per million (ppm) downfield from tetramethylsilane or ppm relative to the center of the singlet at 7.26 ppm for deuteriochloroform. Data reported as multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet). Integration and coupling constants were reported in Hertz (Hz). Carbon-13 nuclear magnetic resonance (^{13}C NMR) spectra were recorded with a Varian Gemini (100 MHz) spectrometer and were routinely run with broadband decoupling. Chemical shifts are reported in delta (δ) units, ppm relative to the center of the triplet at 77.16 ppm for deuteriochloroform.

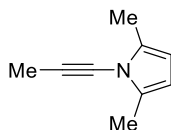
Experimental Details and Spectral Data

Preparation of Acetylenic Pyrrole 5.1



To a solution of propargyl amine (2.75 g, 50 mmol, 100 mol %) and 2,5-hexanedione (7.1 g, 50 mmol, 100 mol %) in toluene (25 mL, 2.0 M) was added acetic acid (0.29 mL, 5 mmol, 10 mol %) dropwise. The reaction mixture was allowed to reflux for 1 hour and then cooled to room temperature. The reaction mixture was washed with saturated aqueous NH_4Cl , NaHCO_3 , and brine. The solvent was removed *in vacuo* and afforded crude product as a brown solid.² To the crude product dissolved in THF (100 mL, 0.5 M) under argon was added *tert*-BuOH (4.74 mL, 50 mmol, 100 mol %) and *tert*-BuOK (1.68 g, 15 mmol, 30 mol %). The reaction was stirred at 50°C for 4 hours until complete consumption of starting material as monitored by TLC. The reaction mixture was filtered through a short pad of celite and then washed with EtOAc. The filtrate was then washed with H_2O . The solvent was removed *in vacuo* and the residue was subjected to column chromatography (SiO_2 ; hexanes). The title compound was obtained in 41% yield (2.73 g, 20 mmol) as a colorless liquid.

2,5-dimethyl-1-(prop-1-yn-1-yl)-1H-pyrrole (5.1).



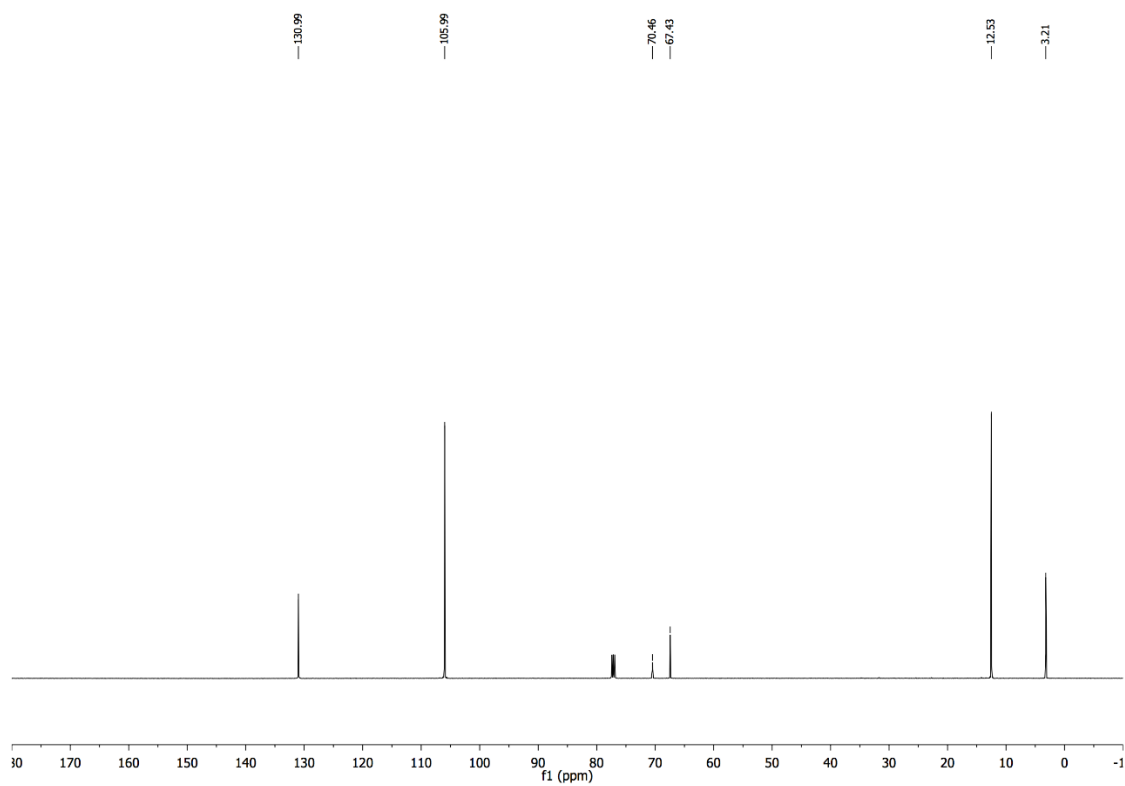
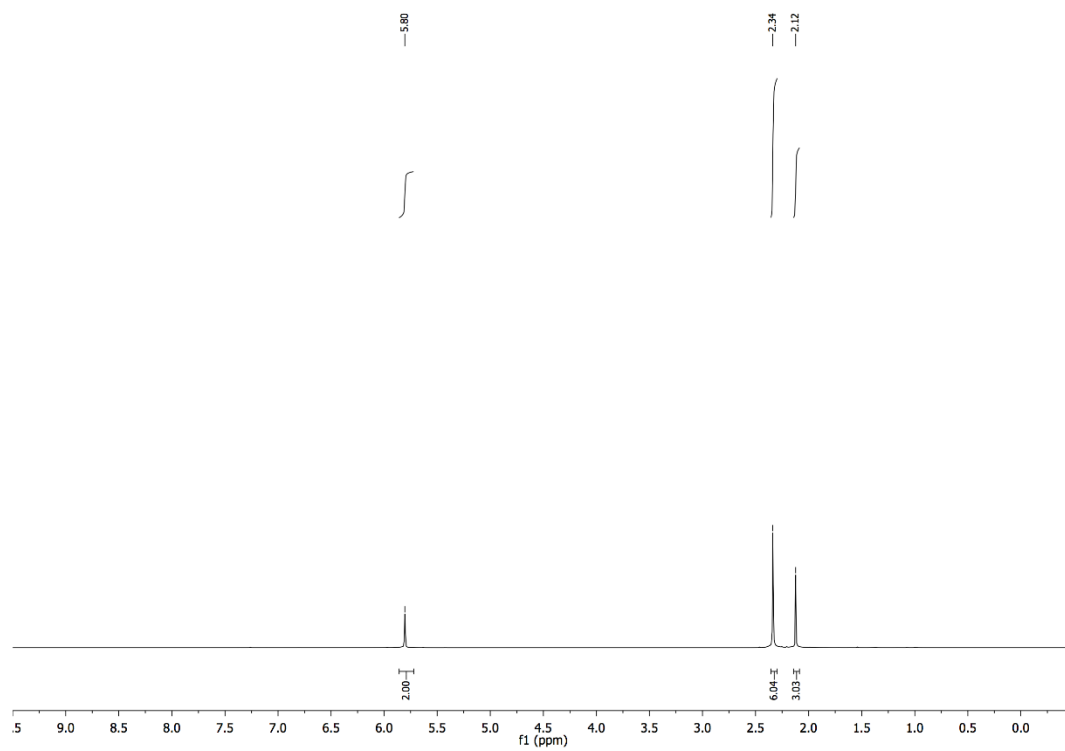
R_f=0.4 (100% Hexanes).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 5.80 (s, 2H), 2.34 (s, 6H), 2.12 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 131.0, 106.0, 70.5, 67.4, 12.5, 3.2.

HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₉H₁₂N [M+H]⁺: 134.0964, Found: 134.0962.

FTIR (neat): 2919, 2265, 1537, 1412, 1372, 1325, 1210, 1023, 980, 954, 759 cm⁻¹.



General Procedure for the Couplings of Alcohols 5.2a-5.2u and 5.1

To a resealable pressure tube (13x100) were added $\text{HClRu(CO)(PPh}_3)_3$ (9.5 mg, 0.010 mmol, 5 mol %) and dippf (4.2 mg, 0.010 mmol, 5 mol %). At this stage the solid alcohol coupling partners (0.20 mmol, 100 mol %) were added. The tube was sealed with a rubber septum and purged with argon. Dioxane (0.40 mL, 0.5 M) was added to the reaction vessel. At this stage, the liquid alcohol coupling partners (0.20 mmol, 100 mol %) were added. Acetylenic pyrrole **5.1** (0.60 mmol, 300 mol %) was added to the reaction vessel and the rubber septum was quickly replaced with a screw cap. The mixture was allowed to stir at the indicated temperature for the indicated time. The reaction mixture was then allowed to cool to room temperature. The solvents were removed *in vacuo* and the residue was subjected to column chromatography (SiO_2).

1 mmol Scale Procedure

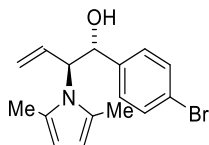
To a resealable pressure tube were added $\text{HClRu(CO)(PPh}_3)_3$ (47.6 mg, 0.050 mmol, 5 mol %) and dippf (20.9 mg, 0.050 mmol, 5 mol %). At this stage the solid alcohol coupling partners (1.0 mmol, 100 mol %) were added. The tube was sealed with a rubber septum and purged with argon. Dioxane (2.0 mL, 0.5 M) was added to the reaction vessel. At this stage, the liquid alcohol coupling partners (1.0 mmol, 100 mol %) were added. Acetylenic pyrrole **5.1** (3.0 mmol, 300 mol %) was added to the reaction vessel and the rubber septum was quickly replaced with a screw cap. The mixture was allowed to stir at the indicated temperature for the indicated time. The reaction mixture was then allowed to cool to room temperature. The solvents were removed *in vacuo* and the residue was subjected to column chromatography (SiO_2).

From Aldehyde Oxidation Level

To a resealable pressure tube (13x100) were added $\text{RuBr(CO)}_3(\eta^3\text{-C}_3\text{H}_5)$ (3.1 mg, 0.010 mmol, 5 mol %) and dippf (4.2 mg, 0.010 mmol, 5 mol %). At this stage the coupling partner aldehyde (0.2

mmol, 100 mol %) was added. The tube was sealed with a rubber septum and purged with argon. Dioxane (0.4 mL, 0.5 M) was added to the reaction vessel. Acetylenic pyrrole **5.1** (0.6 mmol, 300 mol %) was added to the reaction vessel followed by 2-propanol (0.6 mmol, 300 mol %) and the rubber septum was quickly replaced with a screw cap. The mixture was allowed to stir at the indicated temperature for the indicated time. The reaction mixture was then allowed to cool to room temperature. The solvents were removed *in vacuo* and the residue was subjected to column chromatography (SiO₂).

1-(4-bromophenyl)-2-(2,5-dimethyl-1*H*-pyrrol-1-yl)but-3-en-1-ol (5.3a).



In accordance with the general procedure at 125°C for 24 hours, the title compound was obtained in 83% yield (53.2 mg, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 10% EtOAc/hexanes).

Comparable yield and equivalent diastereoselectivity was observed when the reaction was conducted on 1 mmol scale (74% yield, *dr* = > 20:1) and from aldehyde oxidation level (70% yield, *dr* = > 20:1).

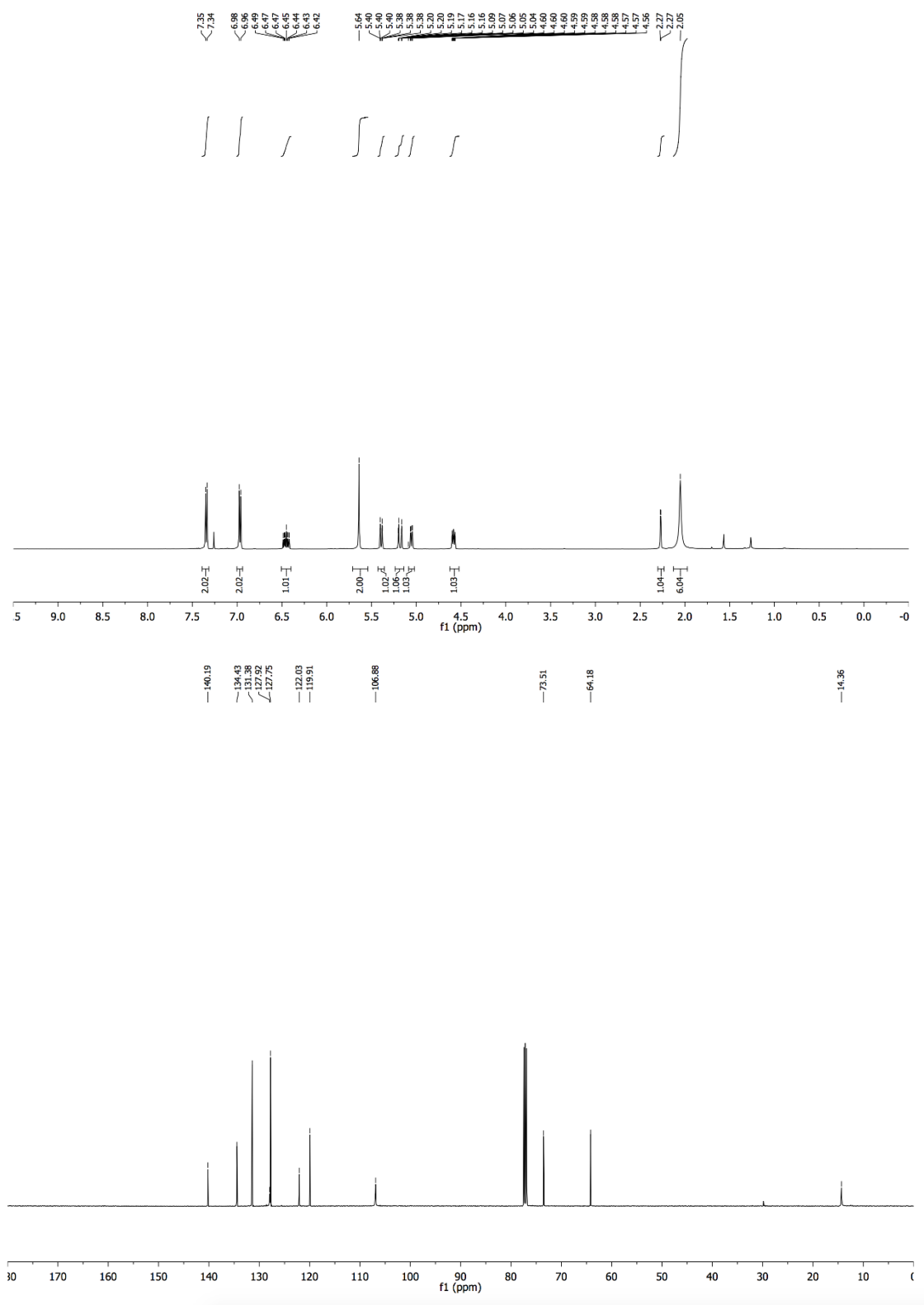
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¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.39 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.00 – 6.94 (m, 2H), 6.45 (ddd, *J* = 16.9, 10.5, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 5.64 (s, 2H), 5.39 (dt, *J* = 10.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (dt, *J* = 17.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.05 (dd, *J* = 9.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 4.58 (ddt, *J* = 9.6, 6.3, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 2.27 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 2.05 (s, 6H).

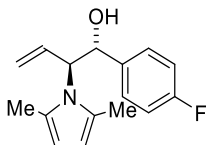
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 140.19, 134.43, 131.38, 127.92, 127.75, 122.03, 119.91, 106.88, 73.51, 64.18, 14.36.

HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₆H₁₉BrNO [*M*+*H*]⁺: 320.0645, Found: 320.0643.

FTIR (neat): 3462, 2921, 2360, 1486, 1395, 1292, 1072, 1010, 929, 816, 757 cm⁻¹.



2-(2,5-dimethyl-1*H*-pyrrol-1-yl)- 1-(4-fluorophenyl)but-3-en-1-ol (5.3b).



In accordance with the general procedure at 125°C for 24 hours, the title compound was obtained in 75% yield (38.9 mg, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 10% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f=0.41 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes)

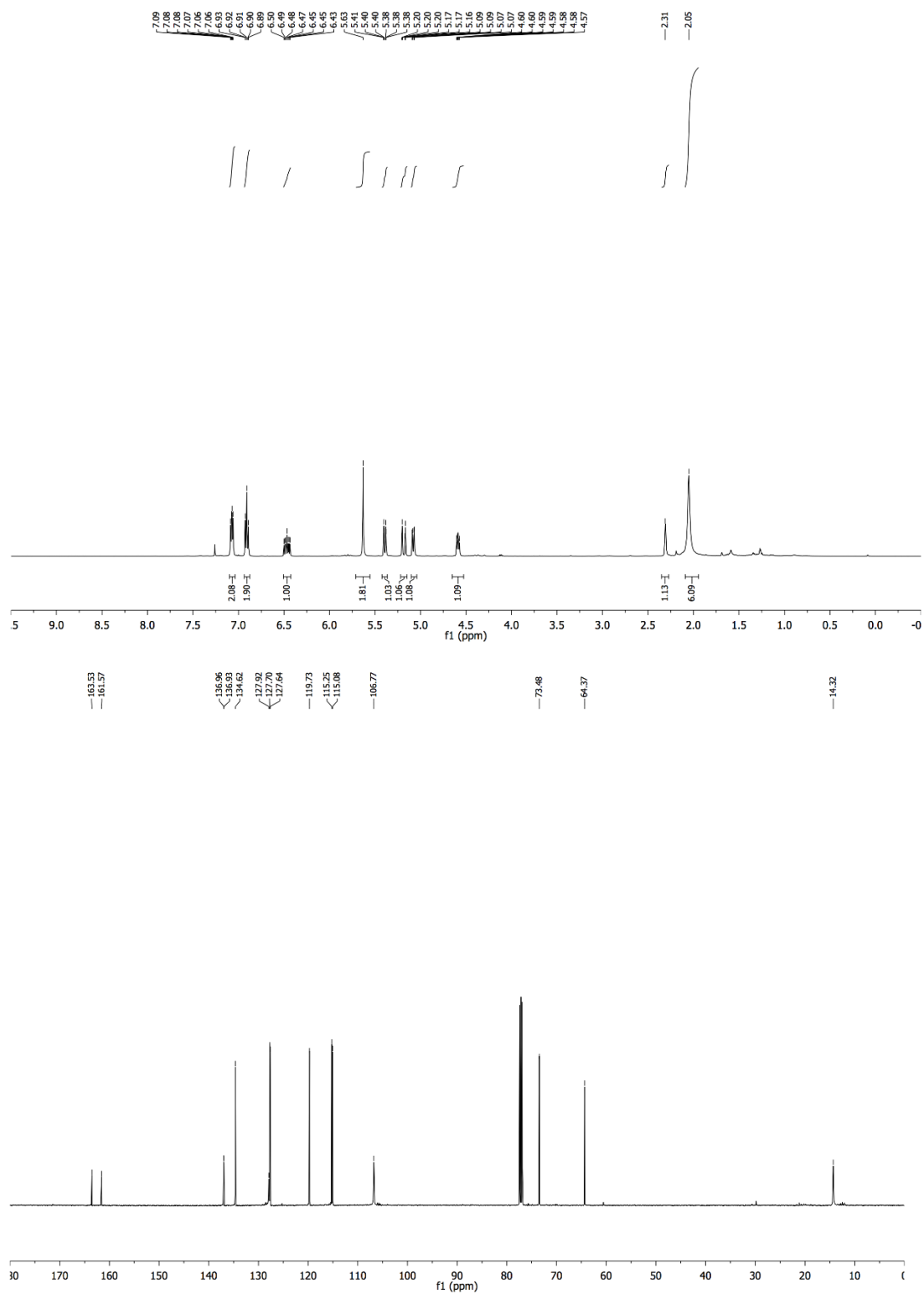
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.11 – 7.03 (m, 2H), 6.91 (t, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.47 (ddd, *J* = 16.9, 10.4, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 5.63 (s, 2H), 5.39 (dd, *J* = 10.4, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.08 (dd, *J* = 9.5, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 4.62 – 4.54 (m, 1H), 2.31 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.05 (s, 6H).

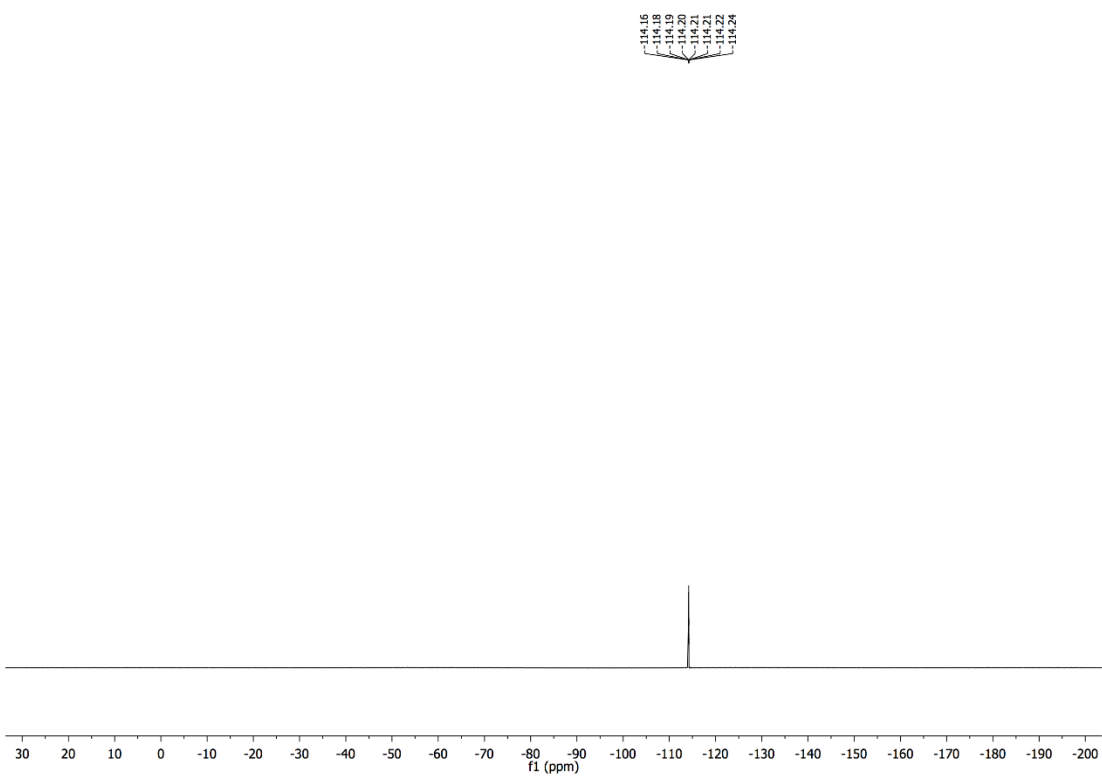
¹⁹F NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -114.2.

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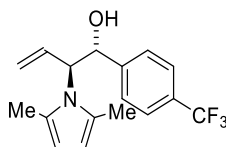
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2-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)but-3-en-1-ol (5.3c).



In accordance with the general procedure at 125°C for 24 hours, the title compound was obtained in 96% yield (59.4 mg, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 10% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f=0.40 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes)

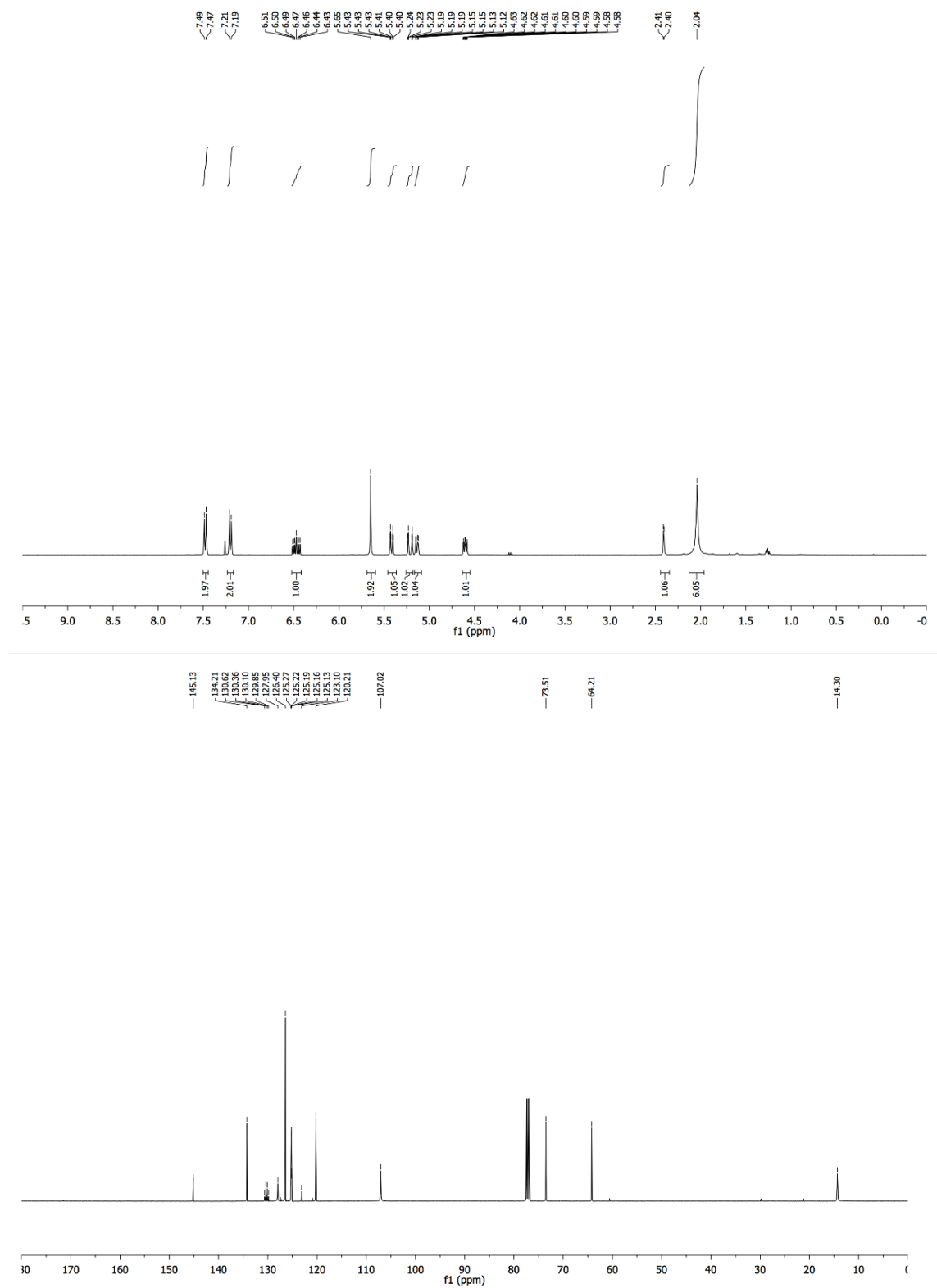
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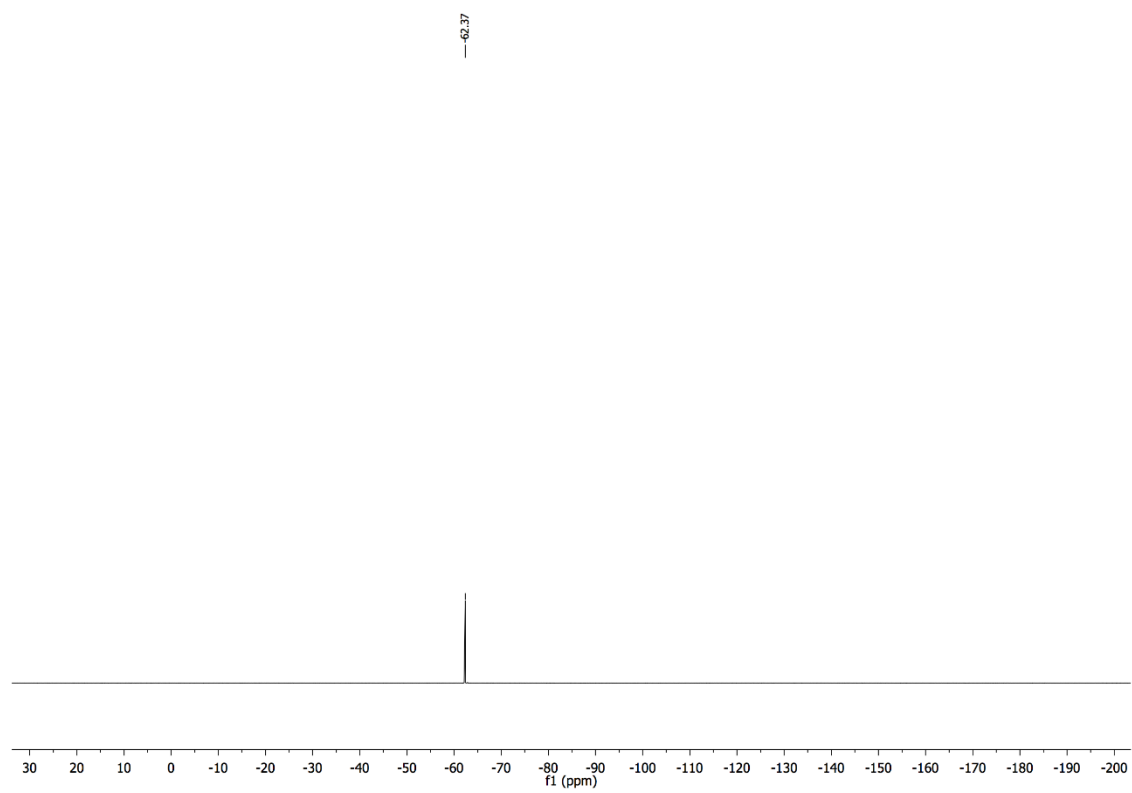
¹⁹F NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.5.

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 145.1, 134.2, 130.2 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 32.4 Hz), 128.0, 126.4, 125.2 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 3.8 Hz), 124.2 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 272.0 Hz), 120.2, 107.0, 73.5, 64.2, 14.3.

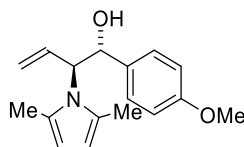
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FTIR (neat): 3462, 2970, 1739, 1395, 1324, 1164, 1123, 1068, 928, 836, 759 cm⁻¹.





2-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)but-3-en-1-ol (5.3d).



In accordance with the general procedure at 125°C for 24 hours, the title compound was obtained in 50% yield (27.1 mg, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 10% EtOAc/hexanes).

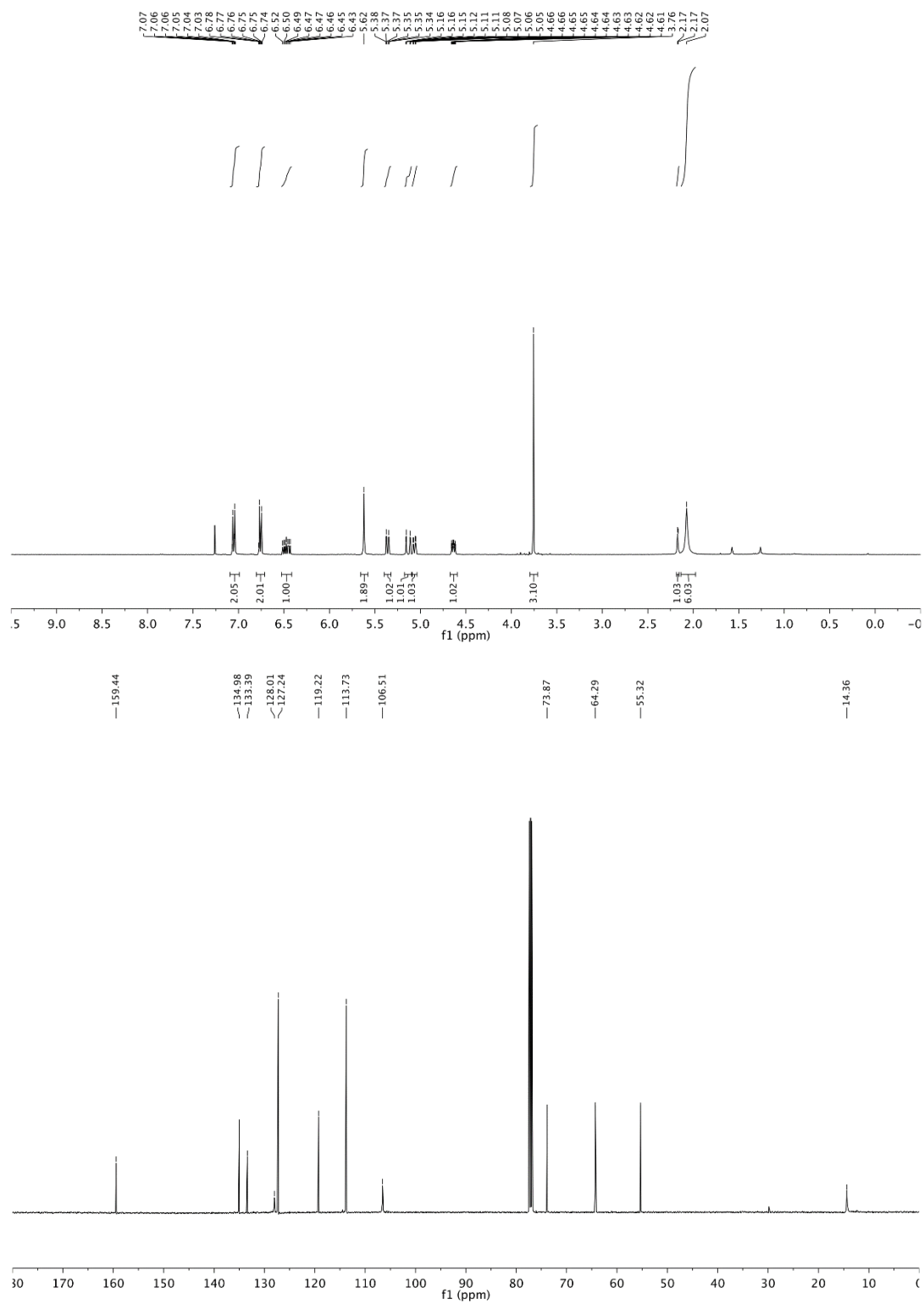
R_f=0.29 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.08 – 7.02 (m, 2H), 6.79 – 6.73 (m, 2H), 6.47 (ddd, *J* = 17.2, 10.4, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.62 (s, 2H), 5.36 (dt, *J* = 10.4, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.13 (dt, *J* = 17.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.07 (dd, *J* = 9.4, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 4.64 (ddt, *J* = 9.4, 5.9, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 2.17 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 2.07 (s, 6H).

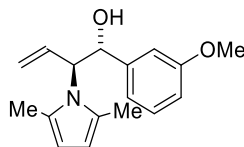
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.4, 135.0, 133.4, 128.0, 127.2, 119.2, 113.7, 106.5, 73.9, 64.3, 55.3, 14.4.

HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₇H₂₁NO₂Na⁺ [*M*+Na]⁺: 294.1470, Found: 294.1452.

FTIR (neat): 3458, 2970, 1738, 1612, 1512, 1396, 1373, 1243, 1036, 925, 828, 750 cm⁻¹.



2-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-1-(3-methoxyphenyl)but-3-en-1-ol (5.3e).



In accordance with the general procedure at 125°C for 24 hours, the title compound was obtained in 71% yield (38.5 mg, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 7.5-10% EtOAc/hexanes).

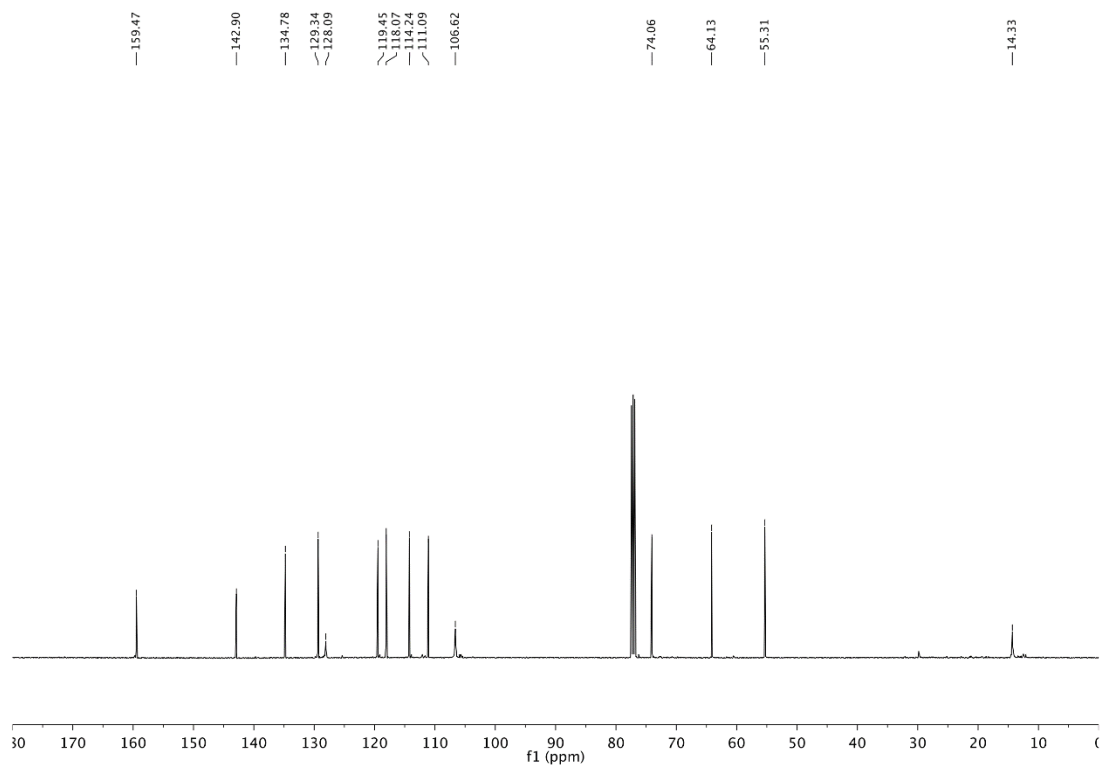
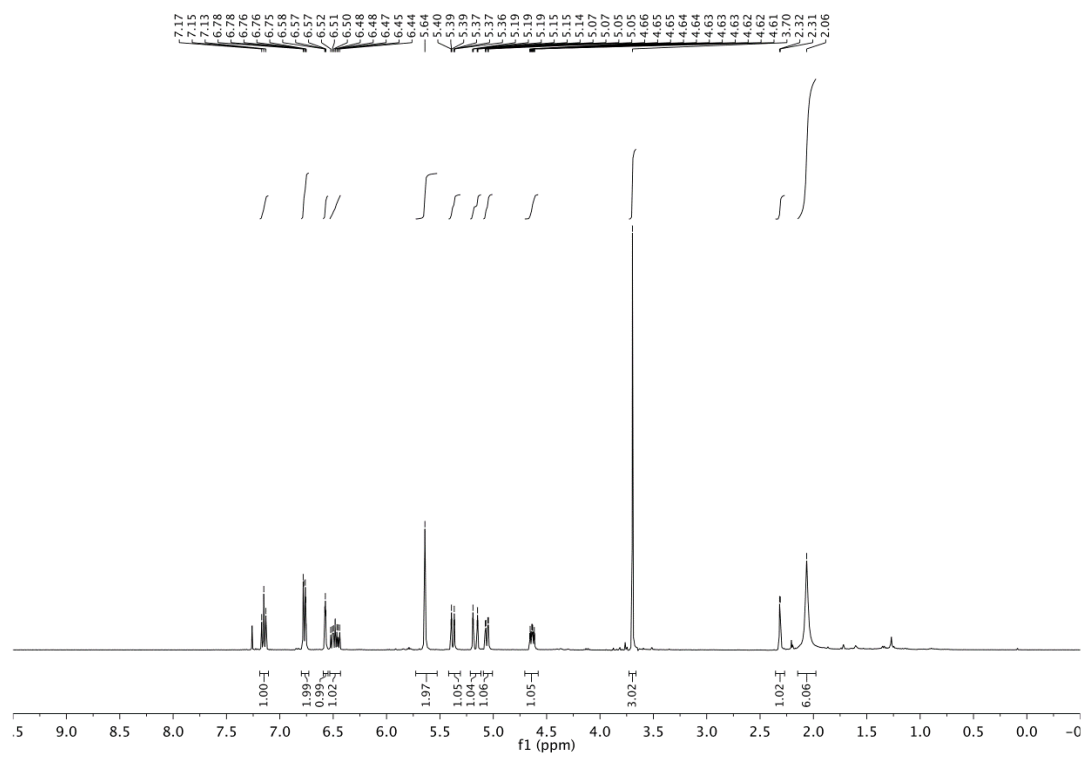
R_f=0.37 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.15 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 2.2 Hz, 2H), 6.57 (t, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 6.48 (ddd, *J* = 17.3, 10.5, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.64 (s, 2H), 5.38 (dt, *J* = 10.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.17 (dt, *J* = 17.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.06 (dd, *J* = 9.4, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 4.63 (ddt, *J* = 9.4, 6.1, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 2.31 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 2.06 (s, 6H).

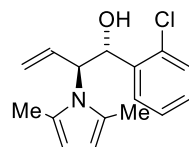
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HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₇H₂₁NO₂Na⁺ [M+Na]⁺: 294.1470, Found: 294.1457.

FTIR (neat): 3464, 2934, 1739, 1602, 1455, 1395, 1290, 1256, 1156, 1038, 925, 750, 698 cm⁻¹.



1-(2-chlorophenyl)-2-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)but-3-en-1-ol (5.3f).



In accordance with the general procedure at 125°C for 24 hours, the title compound was obtained in 86% yield (47.4 mg, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 8% EtOAc/hexanes).

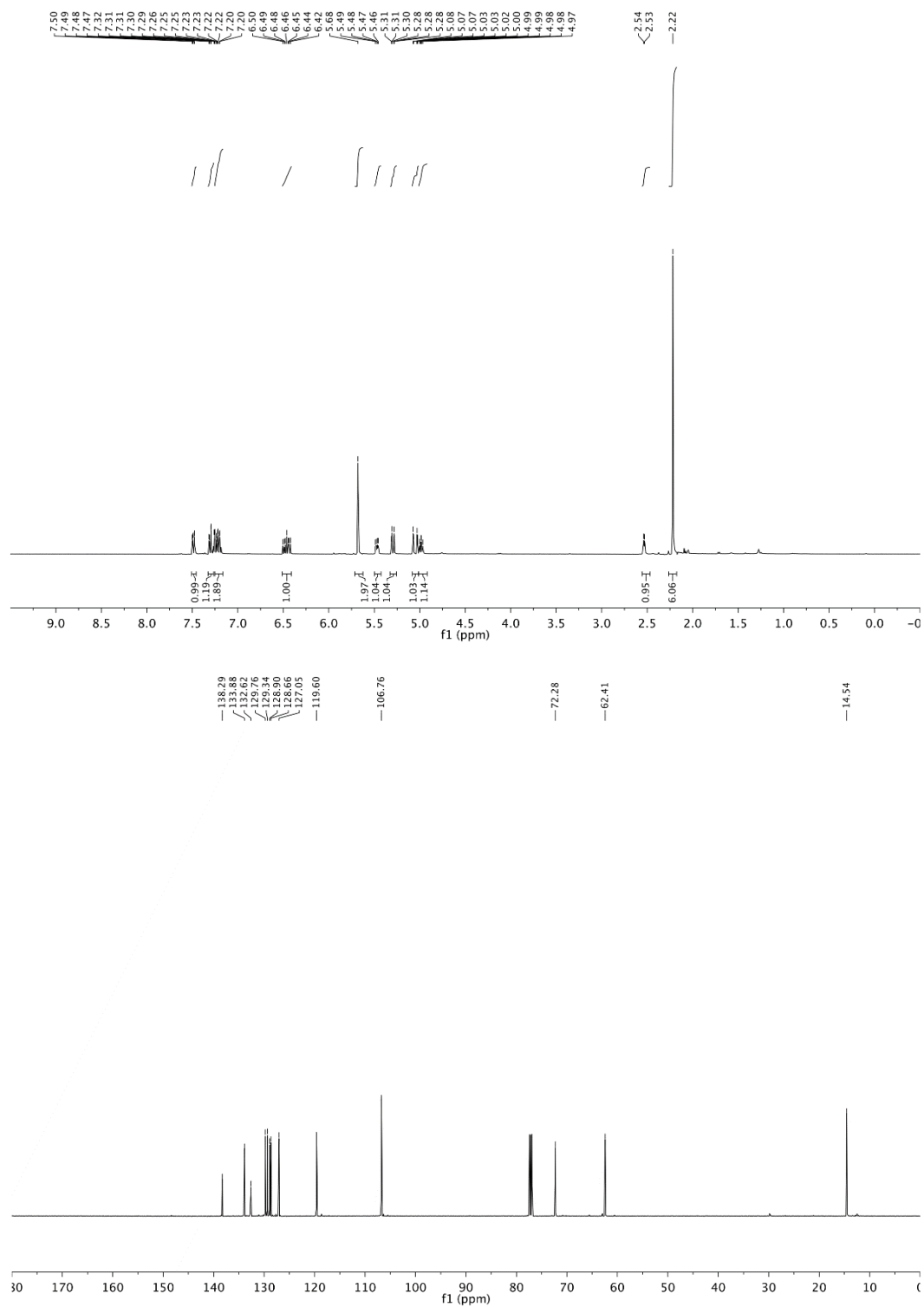
R_f=0.43 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.48 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.33 – 7.17 (m, 2H), 6.46 (ddd, *J* = 17.0, 10.4, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 5.67 (s, 2H), 5.47 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 5.29 (dt, *J* = 10.4, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.05 (dt, *J* = 17.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.01 – 4.94 (m, 1H), 2.53 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 2.22 (s, 6H).

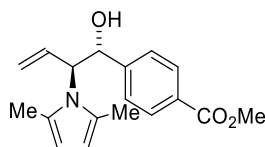
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.3, 133.9, 132.6, 129.8, 129.3, 128.9, 128.7, 127.1, 119.6, 106.8, 72.3, 62.4, 14.5.

HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₆H₁₉ClNO⁺ [M+H]⁺: 276.1155, Found: 276.1147.

FTIR (neat): 3446, 2970, 1739, 1439, 1393, 1287, 1239, 1034, 927, 751 cm⁻¹.



methyl 4-(2-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-1-hydroxybut-3-en-1-yl)benzoate (5.3g)



In accordance with the general procedure at 125°C for 24 hours, the title compound was obtained in 73% yield (43.7 mg, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 7.5%-15% EtOAc/hexanes).

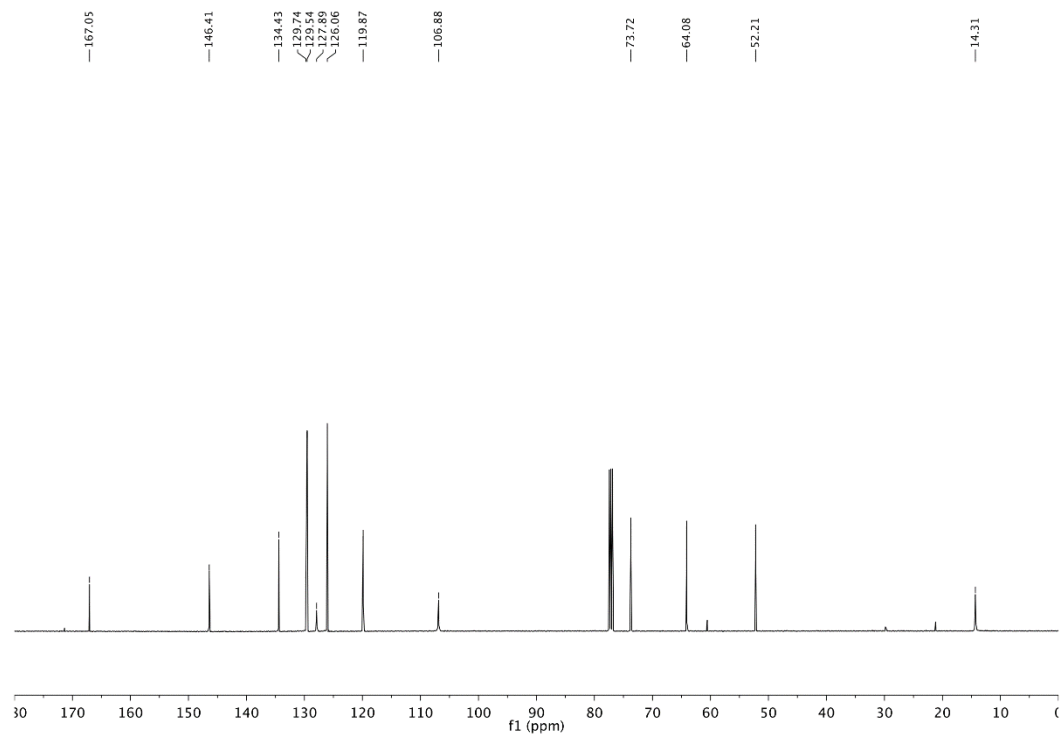
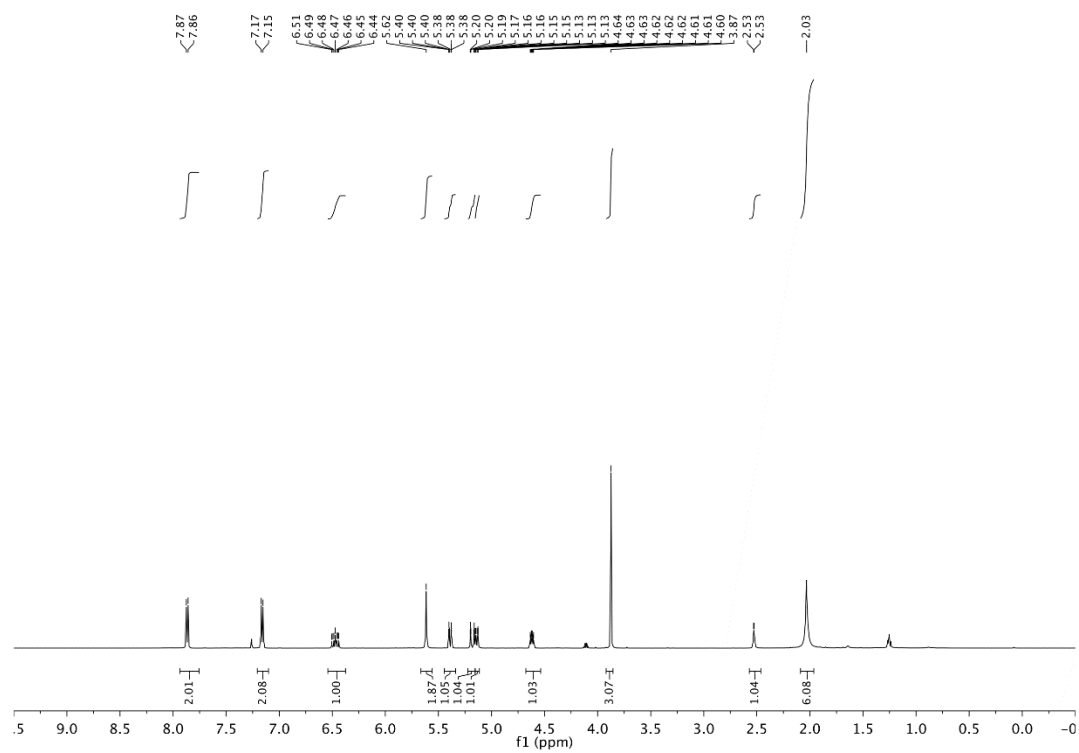
R_f=0.22 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.90 – 7.83 (m, 2H), 7.19 – 7.13 (m, 2H), 6.47 (ddd, *J* = 16.9, 10.5, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 5.62 (s, 2H), 5.39 (dt, *J* = 10.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (dt, *J* = 17.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.14 (dd, *J* = 9.3, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 4.62 (ddt, *J* = 9.4, 6.2, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 2.53 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 2.03 (s, 6H).

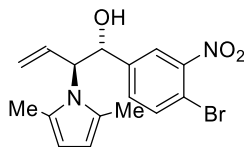
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.1, 146.4, 134.4, 129.7, 129.5, 127.9, 126.1, 119.9, 106.9, 73.7, 64.1, 52.2, 14.3.

HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₈H₂₁NO₃Na⁺ [M+Na]⁺: 322.1419, Found: 322.1414.

FTIR (neat): 3461, 2952, 2359, 1738, 1707, 1697, 1395, 1281, 1111, 1040, 920, 760, 704 cm⁻¹.



1-(4-bromo-3-nitrophenyl)-2-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)but-3-en-1-ol (5.3h).



In accordance with the general procedure at 125°C for 24 hours, the title compound was obtained in 73% yield (53.3 mg, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 7.5%-12.5% EtOAc/hexanes).

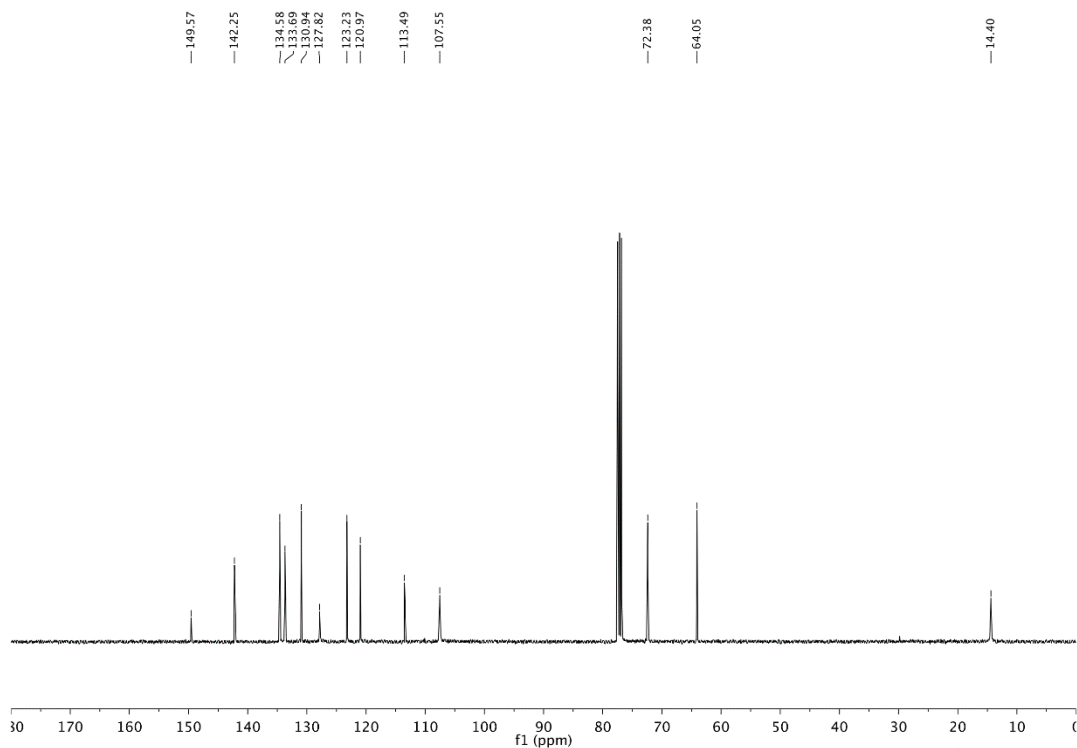
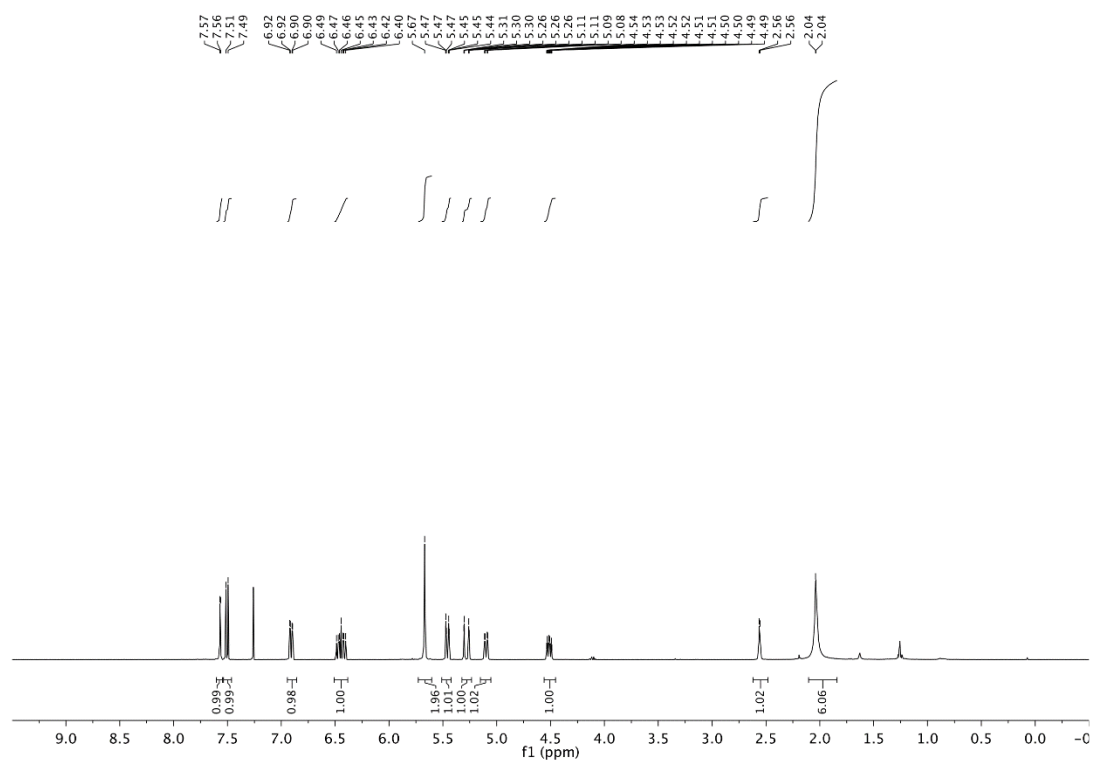
R_f=0.28 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.57 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 6.45 (ddd, *J* = 17.1, 10.4, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 5.67 (s, 2H), 5.46 (dt, *J* = 10.4, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 5.28 (dt, *J* = 17.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.10 (dd, *J* = 9.7, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 4.51 (ddt, *J* = 9.6, 6.5, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 2.56 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 2.04 (s, 6H).

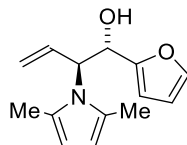
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.6, 142.3, 134.6, 133.7, 130.9, 127.8, 123.2, 121.0, 113.5, 107.6, 72.4, 64.1, 14.4.

HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₆H₁₇BrN₂O₃Na⁺ [M+Na]⁺: 387.0320, Found: 387.0304.

FTIR (neat): 3458, 2978, 2928, 1736, 1707, 1536, 1393, 1373, 1357, 1291, 1243, 1044, 1031, 930, 823, 752 cm⁻¹.



2-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-1-(furan-2-yl)but-3-en-1-ol (5.3i).



In accordance with the general procedure at 125°C for 24 hours with 2-PrOH (200 mol%), the title compound was obtained in 71% yield (32.8 mg, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 10% EtOAc/hexanes).

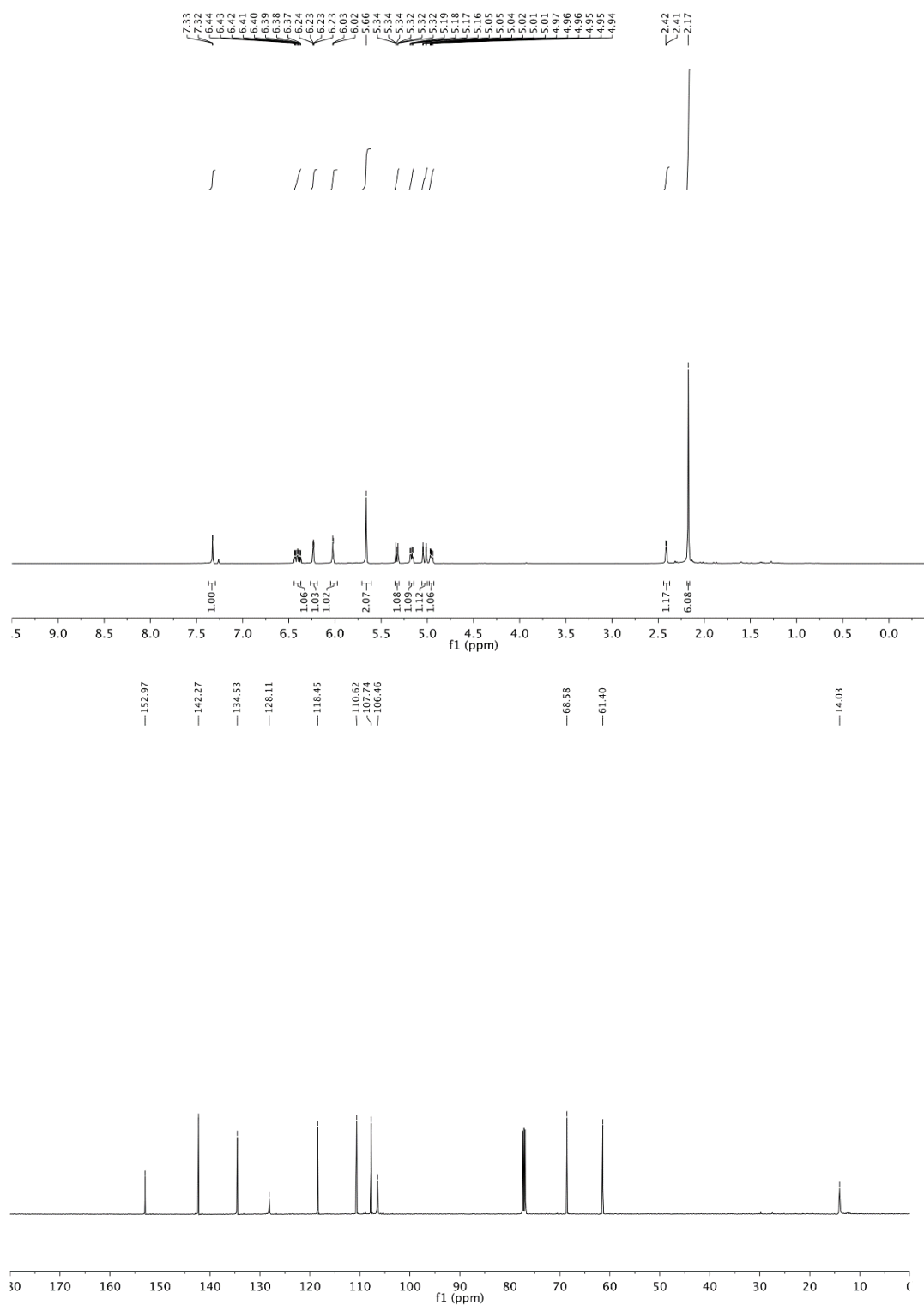
R_f = 0.4 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.33 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.40 (ddd, *J* = 17.3, 10.5, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 6.23 (dd, *J* = 3.3, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.02 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 5.66 (s, 2H), 5.33 (dt, *J* = 10.5, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.17 (dd, *J* = 9.7, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 5.03 (dt, *J* = 17.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.95 (ddt, *J* = 9.4, 4.7, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 2.41 (d, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 2.17 (s, 6H).

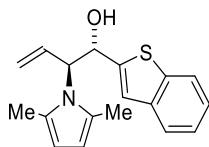
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 153.0, 142.3, 134.5, 128.1, 118.4, 110.6, 107.7, 106.5, 68.6, 61.4, 14.0.

HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₄H₁₇NaNO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 254.1151, Found: 254.1151.

FTIR (neat): 3429, 2926, 2360, 2342, 1934, 1397, 1292, 1150, 1011, 923, 822, 738 cm⁻¹.



1-(benzo[b]thiophen-2-yl)-2-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)but-3-en-1-ol (5.3j).



In accordance with the general procedure at 125°C for 24 hours, the title compound was obtained in 87% yield (51.8 mg, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 5%-10% EtOAc/hexanes).

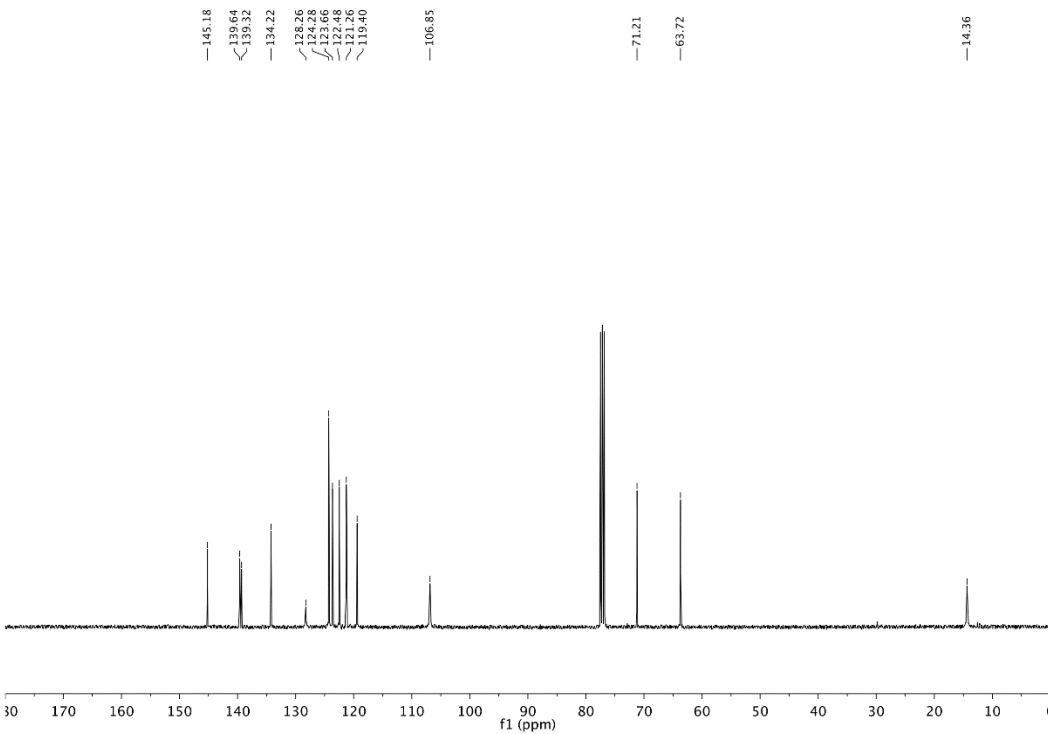
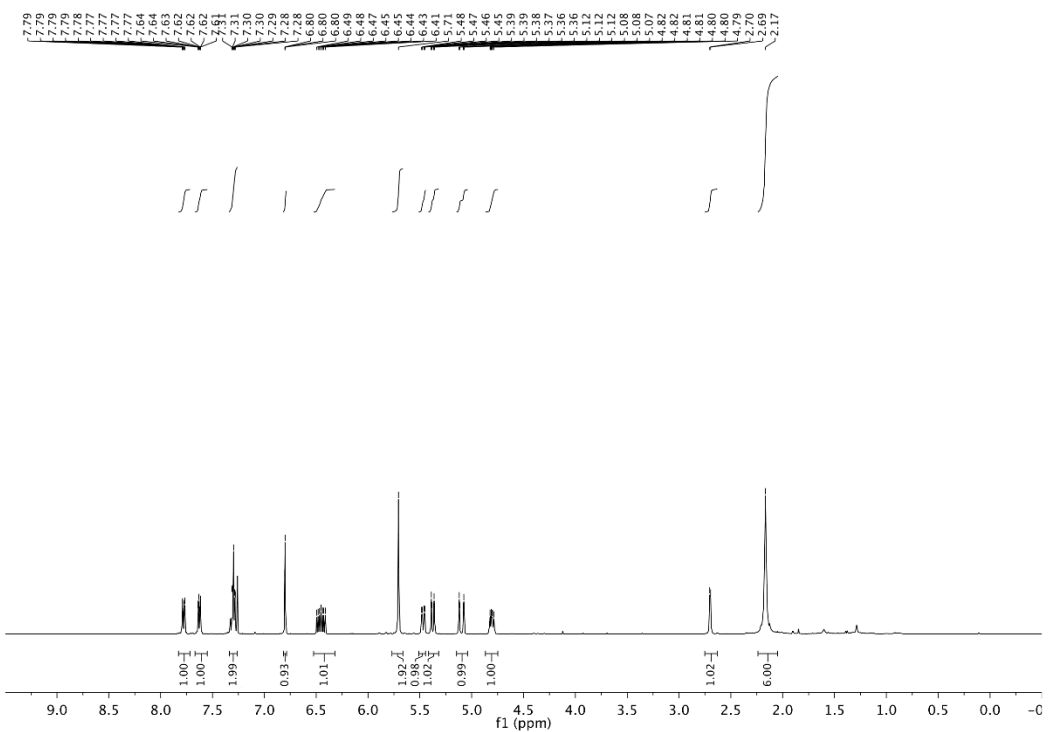
R_f=0.38 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.81 – 7.75 (m, 1H), 7.67 – 7.59 (m, 1H), 7.34 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 0.9 Hz, 1H), 6.45 (ddd, *J* = 17.2, 10.5, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 5.71 (s, 2H), 5.47 (dd, *J* = 9.4, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 5.38 (dt, *J* = 10.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.10 (dt, *J* = 17.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (ddt, *J* = 9.3, 5.6, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 2.70 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 2.17 (s, 6H).

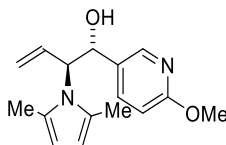
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 145.2, 139.6, 139.3, 134.2, 128.3, 124.3, 123.7, 122.5, 121.3, 119.4, 106.9, 71.2, 63.7, 14.4.

HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₈H₂₀NOS⁺ [*M*+H]⁺: 298.1266, Found: 298.1255.

FTIR (neat): 3446, 2970, 1739, 1458, 1395, 1374, 1236, 1042, 928, 822, 745 cm⁻¹.



2-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-1-(6-methoxypyridin-3-yl)but-3-en-1-ol (5.3k).



In accordance with the general procedure at 125°C for 48 hours, the title compound was obtained in 70% yield (38.1 mg, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 20% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.13 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

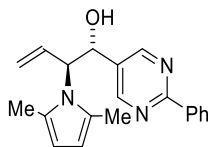
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.89 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 6.45 (ddd, *J* = 16.7, 10.5, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 5.64 (s, 2H), 5.38 (dt, *J* = 10.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (dt, *J* = 17.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.07 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 4.63 (ddt, *J* = 9.5, 5.9, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 2.62 (s, 1H), 2.08 (s, 6H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 164.1, 144.8, 136.8, 134.6, 129.4, 127.8, 119.6, 110.5, 107.0, 72.0, 64.0, 53.6, 14.4.

HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₆H₂₁N₂O₂ [M+H]⁺: 273.1598, Found: 273.1603.

FTIR (neat): 3389, 2927, 2358, 1607, 1493, 1395, 1289, 1.24, 928, 829, 757 cm⁻¹.

2-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-1-(2-phenylpyrimidin-5-yl)but-3-en-1-ol (5.3l).



In accordance with the general procedure at 125°C for 24 hours, the title compound was obtained in 94% yield (60.0 mg, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 20% EtOAc/hexanes).

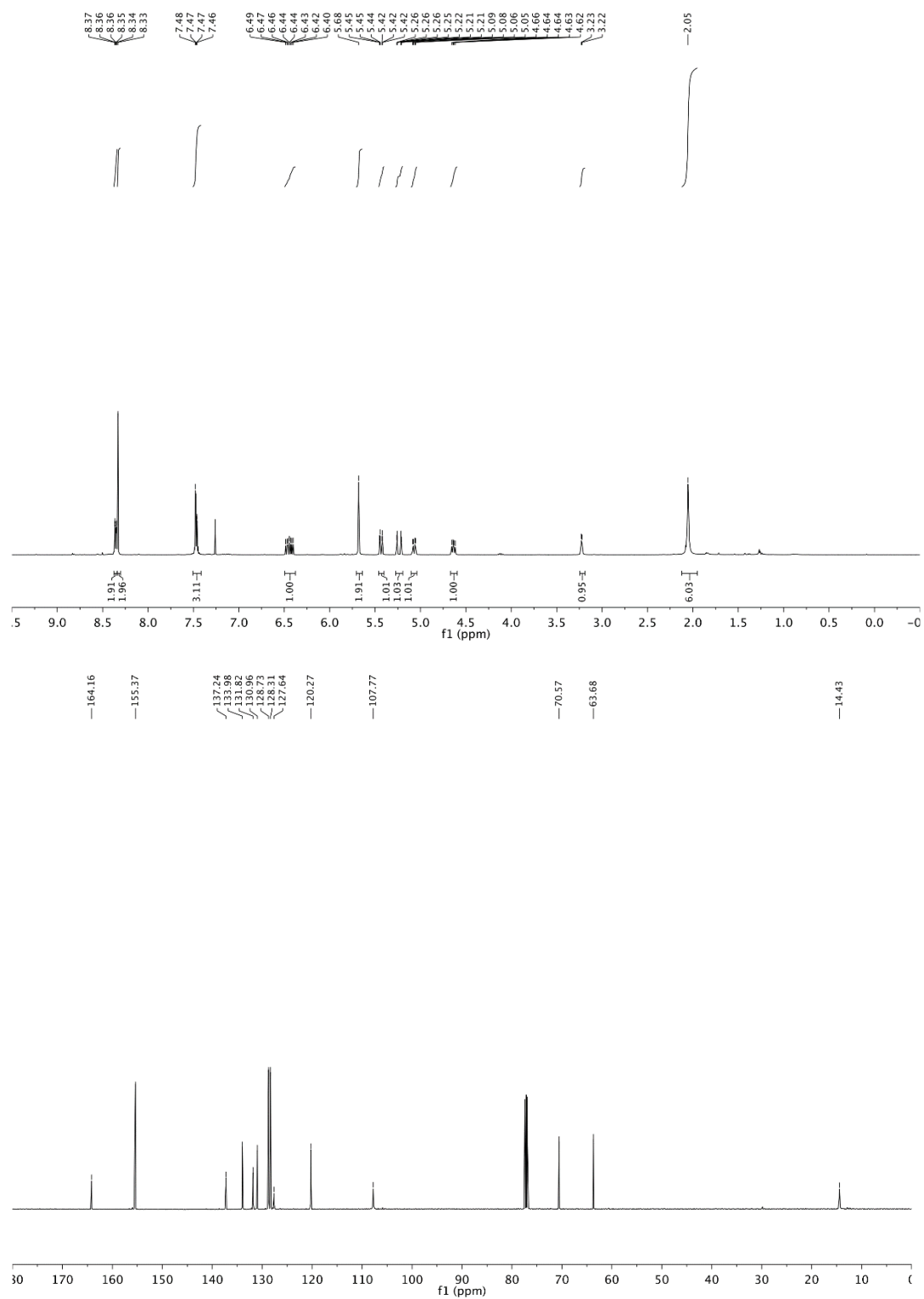
R_f = 0.14 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

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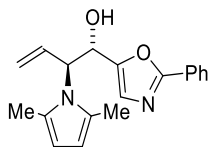
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 164.2, 155.4, 137.2, 134.0, 131.8, 131.0, 128.7, 128.3, 127.6, 120.3, 107.8, 70.6, 63.7, 14.4.

HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₂₀H₂₂N₃O [M+H]⁺: 320.1757, Found: 320.1757.

FTIR (neat): 3260, 2924, 1584, 1545, 1430, 1394, 1291, 1023, 929, 749, 694 cm⁻¹.



2-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-1-(2-phenyloxazol-5-yl)but-3-en-1-ol (5.3m).



In accordance with the general procedure at 125°C for 24 hours, the title compound was obtained in 77% yield (47.5 mg, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 20% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.4 (50% EtOAc/Hexanes).

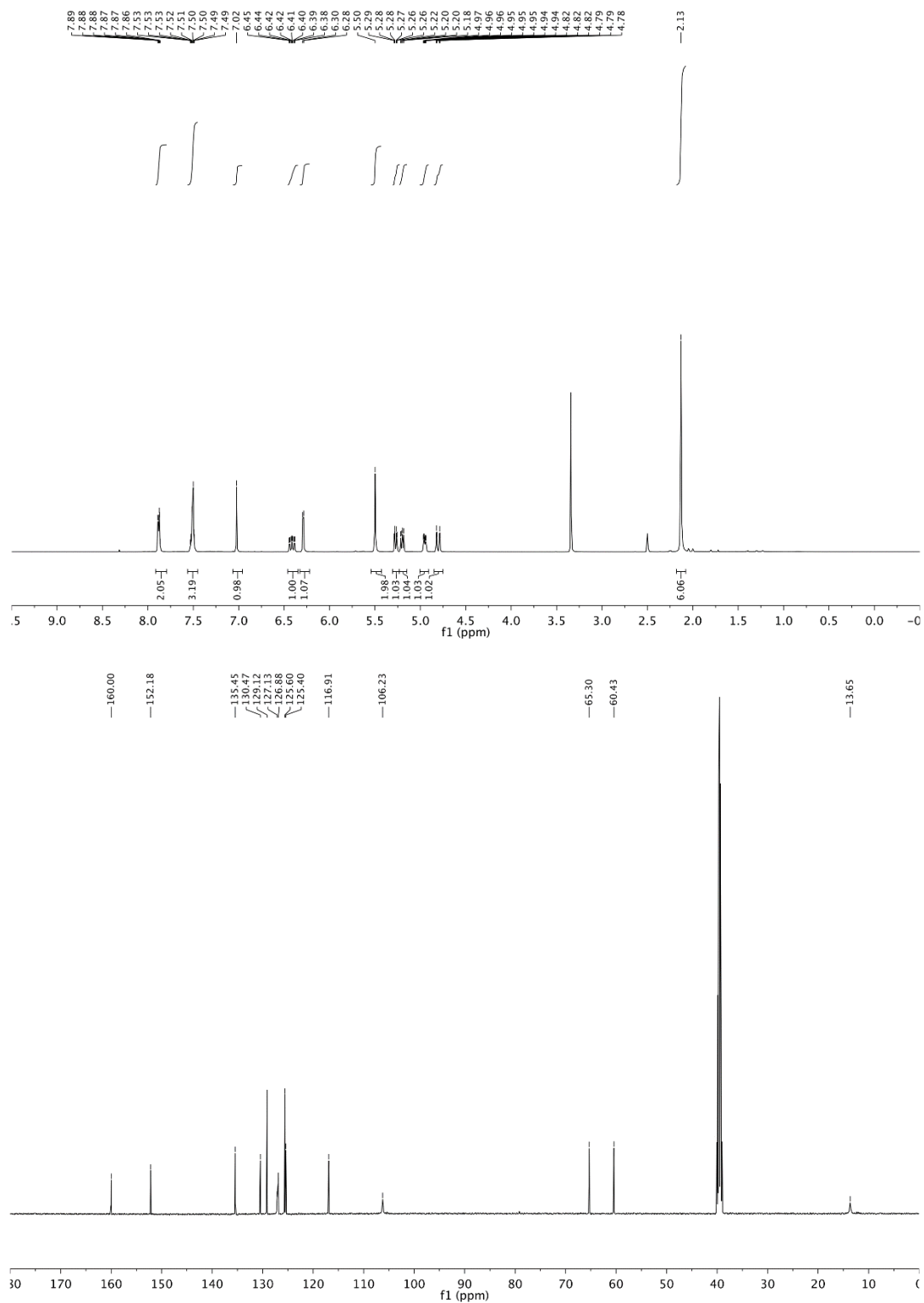
¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 7.91 – 7.79 (m, 2H), 7.56 – 7.45 (m, 3H), 7.02 (s, 1H), 6.41 (ddd, *J* = 17.3, 10.5, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 6.29 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.50 (s, 2H), 5.27 (dt, *J* = 10.6, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 5.20 (dd, *J* = 10.0, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 4.95 (ddt, *J* = 10.1, 4.3, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (dt, *J* = 17.3, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 2.13 (s, 6H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 160.0, 152.2, 135.4, 130.5, 129.1, 127.1, 126.9, 125.6, 125.4, 116.9, 106.2, 65.3, 60.4, 13.6.

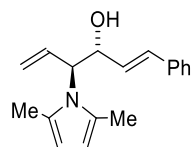
HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₉H₂₁N₂O₂ [M+H]⁺: 309.1598, Found: 309.1603.

FTIR (neat): 3204, 3099, 2931, 1547, 1396, 1300, 1134, 1041, 977, 920, 824, 754, 713, 684 cm⁻¹.

MP: 183 °C (decomp.)



(E)-4-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-1-phenylhexa-1,5-dien-3-ol (5.3n).



In accordance with the general procedure at 125°C for 24 hours with 2-PrOH (200 mol%), the title compound was obtained in 72% yield (38.5 mg, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 10% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.38 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

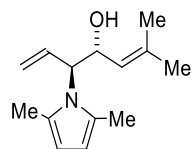
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.35 – 7.21 (m, 5H), 6.63 (dd, *J* = 16.0, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 6.41 (ddd, *J* = 17.3, 10.5, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 5.88 (dd, *J* = 16.0, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 5.80 (s, 2H), 5.39 (dt, *J* = 10.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (dt, *J* = 17.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.84 – 4.76 (m, 1H), 4.61 (ddt, *J* = 7.2, 5.2, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 2.27 (s, 6H), 2.09 (d, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 136.6, 134.9, 131.4, 128.8, 128.6, 128.2, 127.9, 126.7, 118.9, 106.9, 72.8, 63.2, 14.5.

HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₈H₂₂NO [M+H]⁺: 268.1696, Found: 268.1700.

FTIR (neat): 3430, 2924, 1519, 1494, 1448, 1395, 1291, 1113, 1022, 973, 928, 747, 693 cm⁻¹.

3-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-6-methylhepta-1,5-dien-4-ol (5.3o).



In accordance with the general procedure at 125°C for 24 hours, the title compound was obtained in 73% yield (32.0 mg, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 7.5%-10% EtOAc/hexanes).

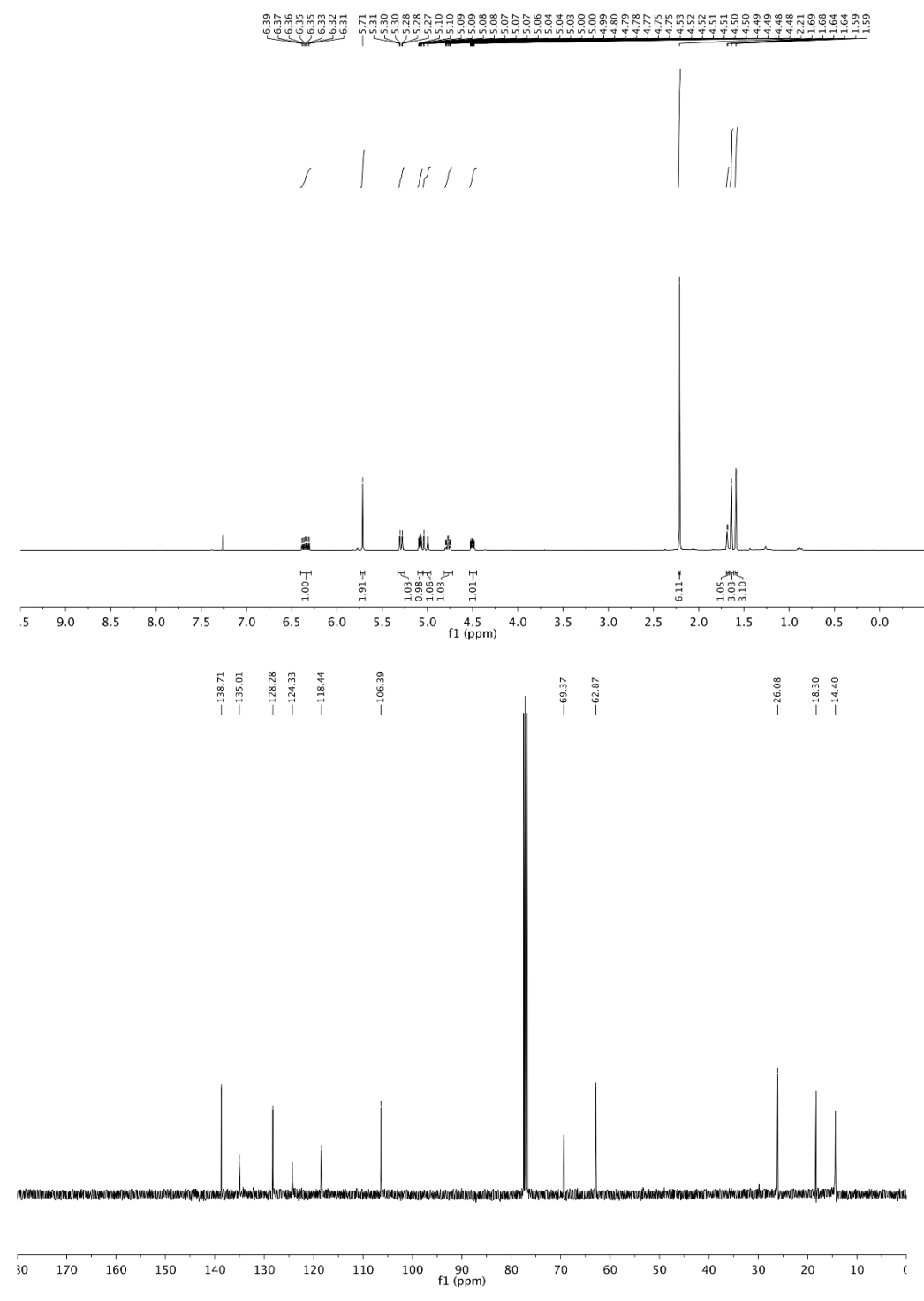
R_f=0.40 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes)

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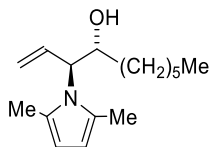
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HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₄H₂₂NO⁺ [M+H]⁺: 220.1701, Found: 220.1693.

FTIR (neat): 3439, 2970, 2929, 1741, 1444, 1397, 1292, 1216, 1021, 992, 924, 827, 749 cm⁻¹.



3-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)dec-1-en-4-ol (5.3p).



In accordance with the general procedure at 125°C for 48 hours, the title compound was obtained in 62% yield (30.9 mg, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 5% EtOAc/hexanes).

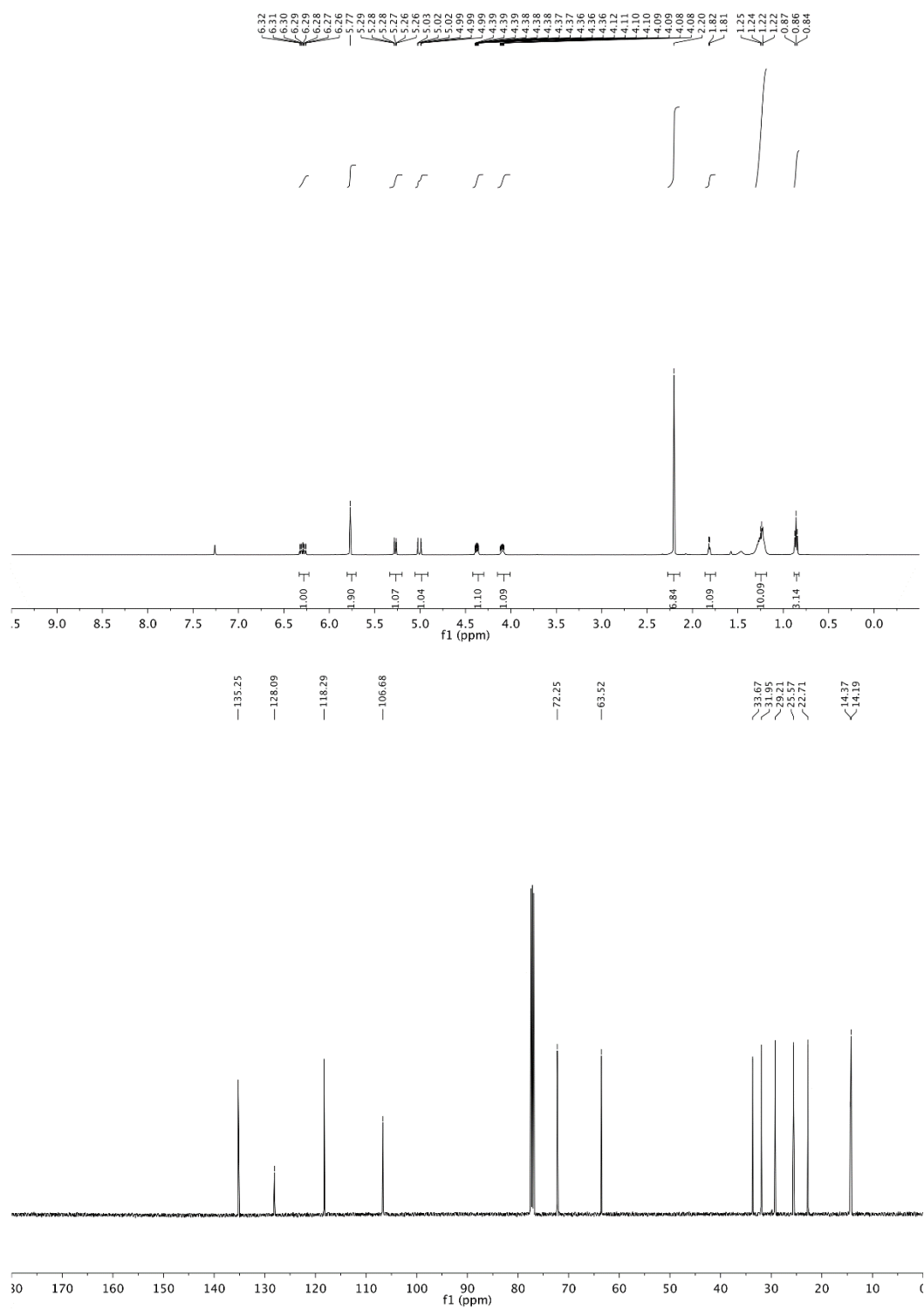
R_f = 0.55 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 6.29 (ddd, *J* = 17.2, 10.4, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 5.77 (s, 2H), 5.27 (dt, *J* = 10.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (dt, *J* = 17.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.38 (ddt, *J* = 9.2, 5.8, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 4.10 (tq, *J* = 9.5, 6.3, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 2.20 (s, 6H), 1.82 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 1.31 – 1.18 (m, 10H), 0.86 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H).

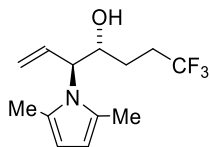
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 135.2, 128.1, 118.3, 106.7, 72.2, 63.5, 33.7, 31.9, 29.2, 25.6, 22.7, 14.4, 14.2.

HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₆H₂₇NaNO [M+Na]⁺: 272.1985, Found: 272.1989.

FTIR (neat): 3402, 2926, 2857, 1519, 1456, 1397, 1292, 1022, 925, 821, 753 cm⁻¹.



3-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-7,7,7-trifluorohept-1-en-4-ol (5.3q).



In accordance with the general procedure at 125°C for 24 hours, the title compound was obtained in 73% yield (38.1 mg, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 7.5%-10% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f=0.41 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes)

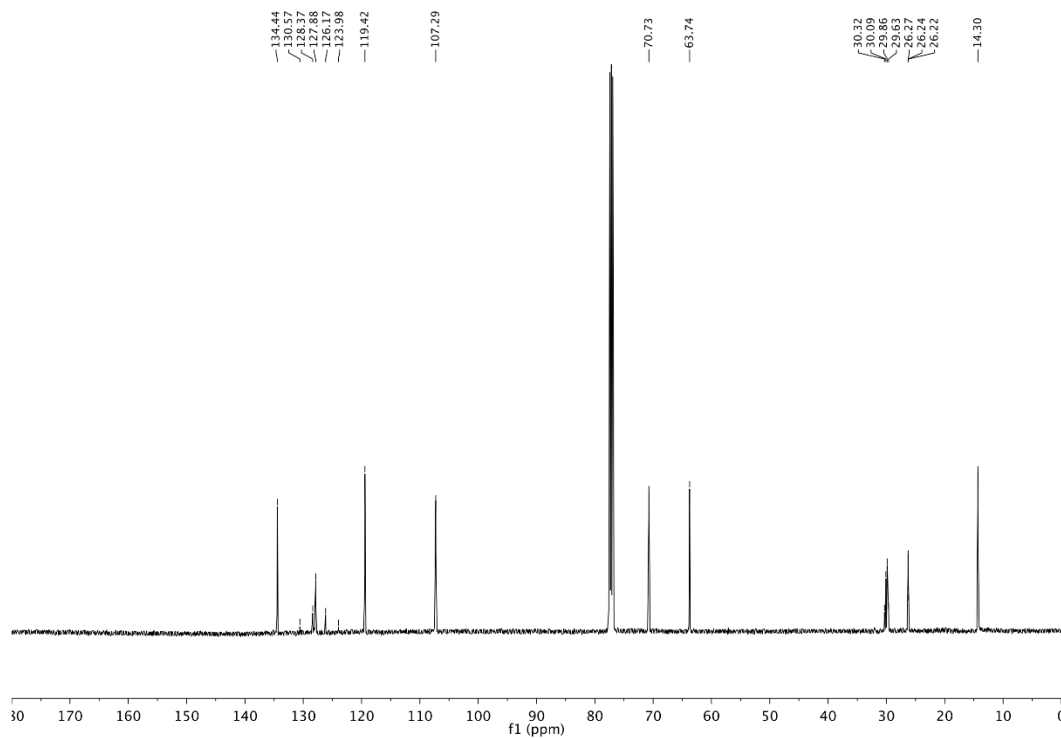
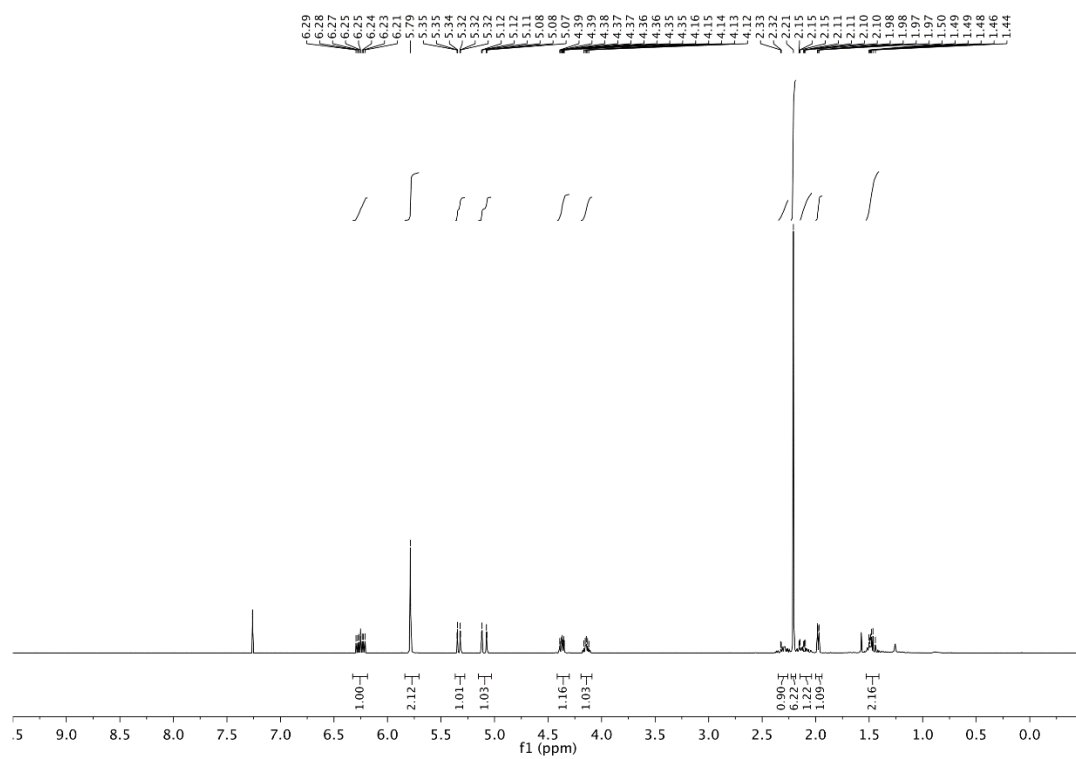
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.25 (ddd, *J* = 16.8, 10.4, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 5.79 (s, 2H), 5.33 (dt, *J* = 10.4, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.10 (dt, *J* = 17.1, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (ddt, *J* = 9.4, 6.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.14 (tt, *J* = 9.0, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (dddd, *J* = 20.4, 9.3, 4.5, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 2.21 (s, 6H), 2.17 – 2.02 (m, 1H), 1.97 (d, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 1H), 1.55 – 1.40 (m, 2H).

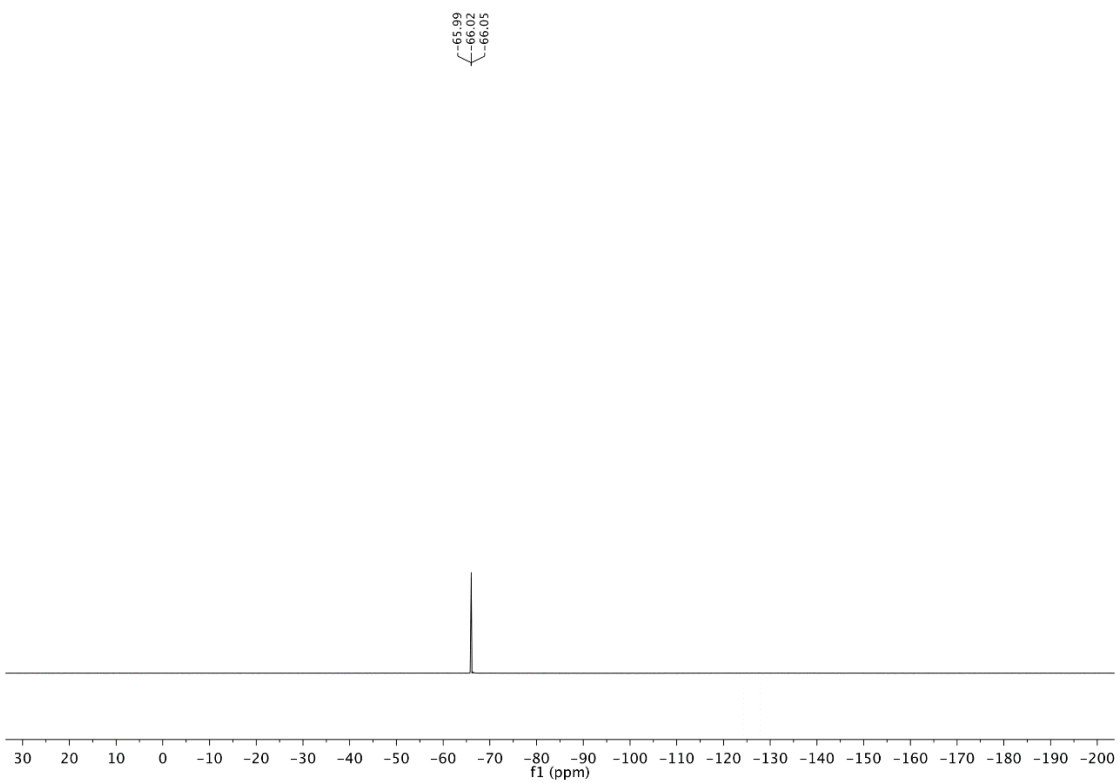
¹⁹F NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -66.0.

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 134.4, 127.9, 127.3 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 276.4 Hz), 119.4, 107.3, 70.7, 63.7, 30.0 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 29.0 Hz), 26.3 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 3.3 Hz), 14.3.

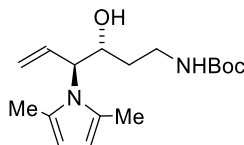
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tert-butyl (4-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-3-hydroxyhex-5-en-1-yl)carbamate (5.3r).



In accordance with the general procedure at 125°C for 24 hours, the title compound was obtained in 63% yield (38.9 mg, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 20% EtOAc/hexanes).

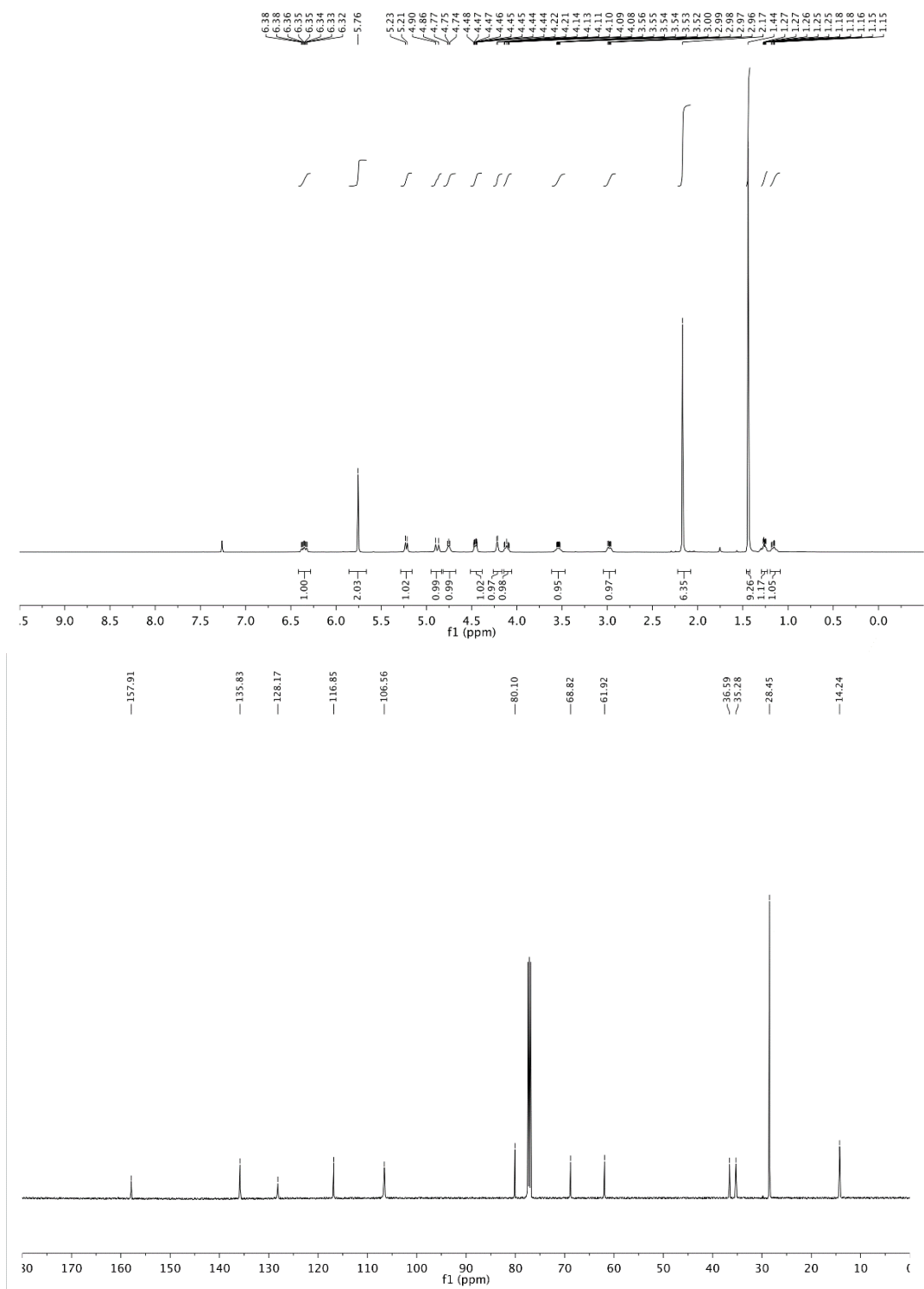
R_f = 0.17 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

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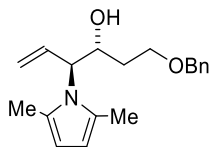
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 157.9, 135.8, 128.2, 116.8, 106.6, 80.1, 68.8, 61.9, 36.6, 35.3, 28.4, 14.2.

HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₇H₂₉N₂O₃ [M+H]⁺: 309.2173, Found: 309.2171.

FTIR (neat): 3368, 2977, 2932, 2361, 1687, 1518, 1448, 1397, 1367, 1290, 1252, 1169, 1006, 923, 753 cm⁻¹.



1-(benzyloxy)-4-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)hex-5-en-3-ol (5.3s).



In accordance with the general procedure at 125°C for 48 hours, the title compound was obtained in 61% yield (36.5 mg, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 5%-10% EtOAc/hexanes).

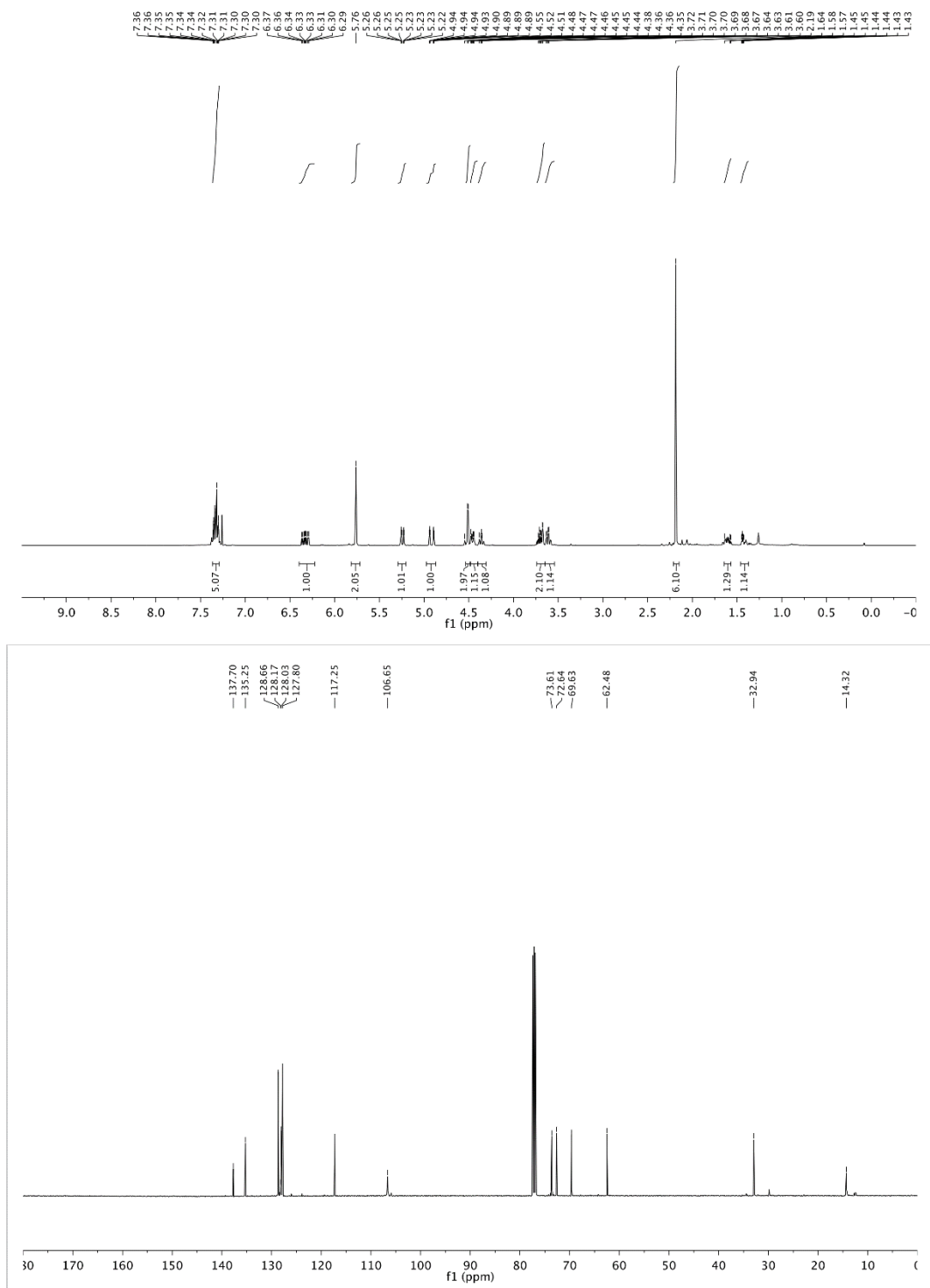
R_f=0.38 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39 – 7.27 (m, 5H), 6.33 (ddd, *J* = 17.2, 10.5, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 5.76 (s, 2H), 5.24 (dt, *J* = 10.5, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 4.92 (dt, *J* = 17.3, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 4.51 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 2H), 4.46 (ddt, *J* = 11.8, 4.4, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 4.36 (tt, *J* = 9.8, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 3.71 (ddd, *J* = 9.5, 5.4, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.66 – 3.57 (m, 2H), 2.19 (s, 6H), 1.61 (dtd, *J* = 14.9, 9.3, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 1.43 (dddd, *J* = 14.8, 5.5, 3.4, 2.0 Hz, 1H).

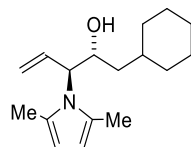
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.7, 135.3, 128.7, 128.2, 128.0, 127.8, 117.3, 106.7, 73.6, 72.6, 69.6, 62.5, 32.9, 14.3.

HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₉H₂₆NO₂⁺ [M+H]⁺: 300.1964, Found: 300.1960.

FTIR (neat): 3472, 2928, 2863, 1739, 1454, 1397, 1291, 1241, 1092, 923, 820, 747, 698 cm⁻¹.



1-cyclohexyl-3-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)pent-4-en-2-ol (5.3t).



In accordance with the general procedure at 125°C for 48 hours, the title compound was obtained in 75% yield (39.2 mg, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 3%-5% EtOAc/hexanes).

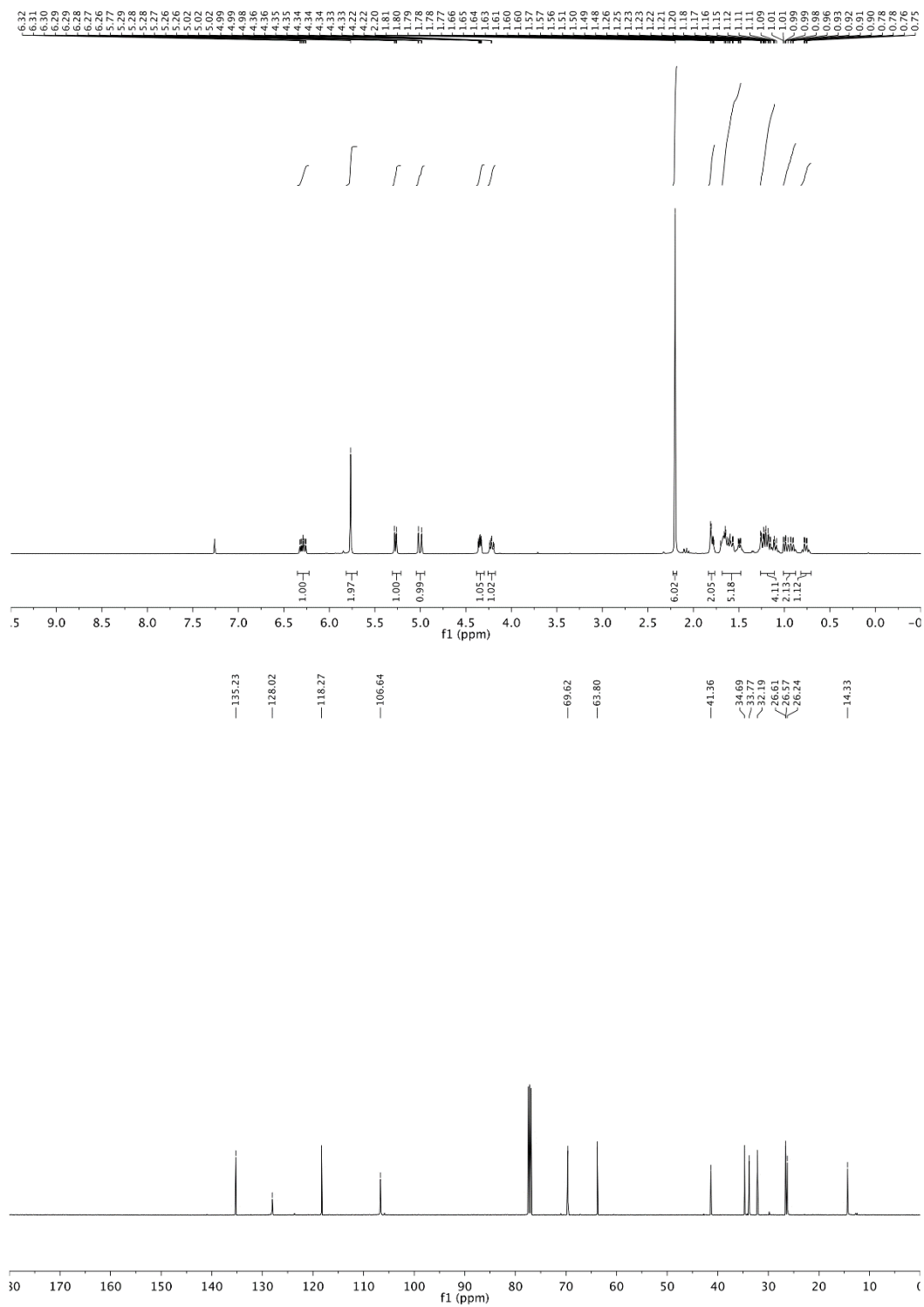
R_f=0.38 (10% EtOAc/Hexanes)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.29 (ddd, *J* = 17.3, 10.5, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 5.77 (s, 2H), 5.27 (dt, *J* = 10.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (dt, *J* = 17.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.35 (ddt, *J* = 9.3, 5.8, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 4.26 – 4.17 (m, 1H), 2.20 (s, 6H), 1.79 (dd, *J* = 12.9, 3.2 Hz, 2H), 1.73 – 1.44 (m, 4H), 1.31 – 1.04 (m, 4H), 1.04 – 0.85 (m, 3H), 0.77 (qd, *J* = 12.4, 3.5 Hz, 1H).

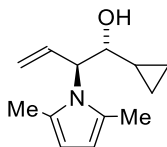
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 135.2, 128.0, 118.3, 106.6, 69.6, 63.8, 41.4, 34.7, 33.8, 32.2, 26.6(1), 26.5(7), 26.2, 14.3.

HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₇H₂₇NONa⁺ [*M*+Na]⁺: 284.1990, Found: 284.1985.

FTIR (neat): 3464, 2922, 2851, 1741, 1724, 1447, 1397, 1241, 1044, 988, 922, 751, 733 cm⁻¹.



1-cyclopropyl-2-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)but-3-en-1-ol (5.3u).



In accordance with the general procedure at 125°C for 48 hours in dioxane (1.0 M), the title compound was obtained in 63% yield (25.9 mg, *dr* = >20:1) as a yellow liquid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 10% EtOAc/hexanes).

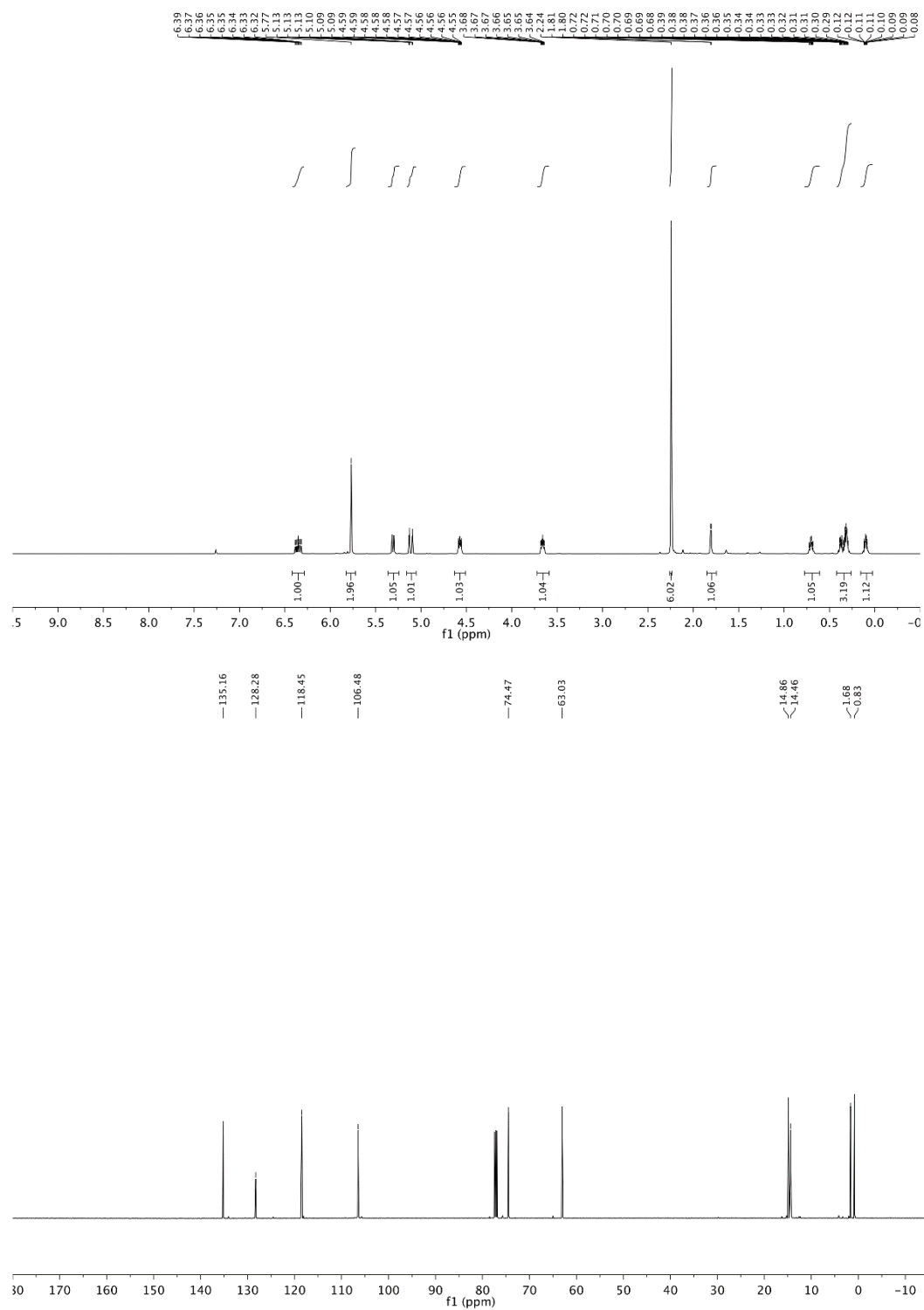
R_f = 0.42 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 6.35 (ddd, *J* = 17.4, 10.5, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 5.77 (s, 2H), 5.31 (dt, *J* = 10.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.11 (dt, *J* = 17.3, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.57 (ddt, *J* = 9.2, 5.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 3.66 (ddd, *J* = 9.3, 6.5, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 2.24 (s, 6H), 1.81 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 0.78 – 0.61 (m, 1H), 0.42 – 0.26 (m, 3H), 0.16 – 0.02 (m, 1H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 135.2, 128.3, 118.4, 106.5, 74.5, 63.0, 14.9, 14.5, 1.7, 0.8.

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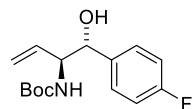
FTIR (neat): 3444, 3084, 2930, 1519, 1398, 1293, 1138, 1021, 926, 828, 753 cm⁻¹.



General Procedure and Preparation of 5.4b, 5.4n, 5.4q

To a solution of adduct **5.3** (0.2 mmol, 100 mol %) in EtOH (4 mL) was added hydroxylamine hydrochloride (139 mg, 2 mmol, 1000 mol %) followed by H₂O (2 mL). The mixture was allowed to stir at 100 °C for 24 hours. After cooled to room temperature, the reaction mixture was washed with 2N aqueous NaOH and extracted three times with Et₂O. The combined organic layers were washed with brine and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. The solvent was removed *in vacuo* and the crude amine was dissolved in THF (1 mL, 0.2 M). (Boc)₂O (65.5 mg, 0.3 mmol, 150 mol %) was subsequently added and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature overnight. Saturated aqueous NH₄Cl was added to the reaction mixture. The mixture was extracted three times with EtOAc. The combined organic layers were washed with brine and dried over Na₂SO₄. The solvent was then removed *in vacuo*, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (SiO₂: 20% EtOAc/Hexanes) to furnish the title compound.

tert-butyl (1-(4-fluorophenyl)-1-hydroxybut-3-en-2-yl)carbamate (5.4b).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 69% yield as a yellow solid after column chromatography (SiO₂; 20% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f = 0.22 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.30 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 5.5 Hz, 2H), 7.02 (t, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 5.68 (ddd, *J* = 16.8, 10.5, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 5.23 – 5.06 (m, 2H), 4.93 – 4.79 (m, 2H), 4.43 (s, 1H), 3.14 (s, 1H), 1.44 (s, 9H).

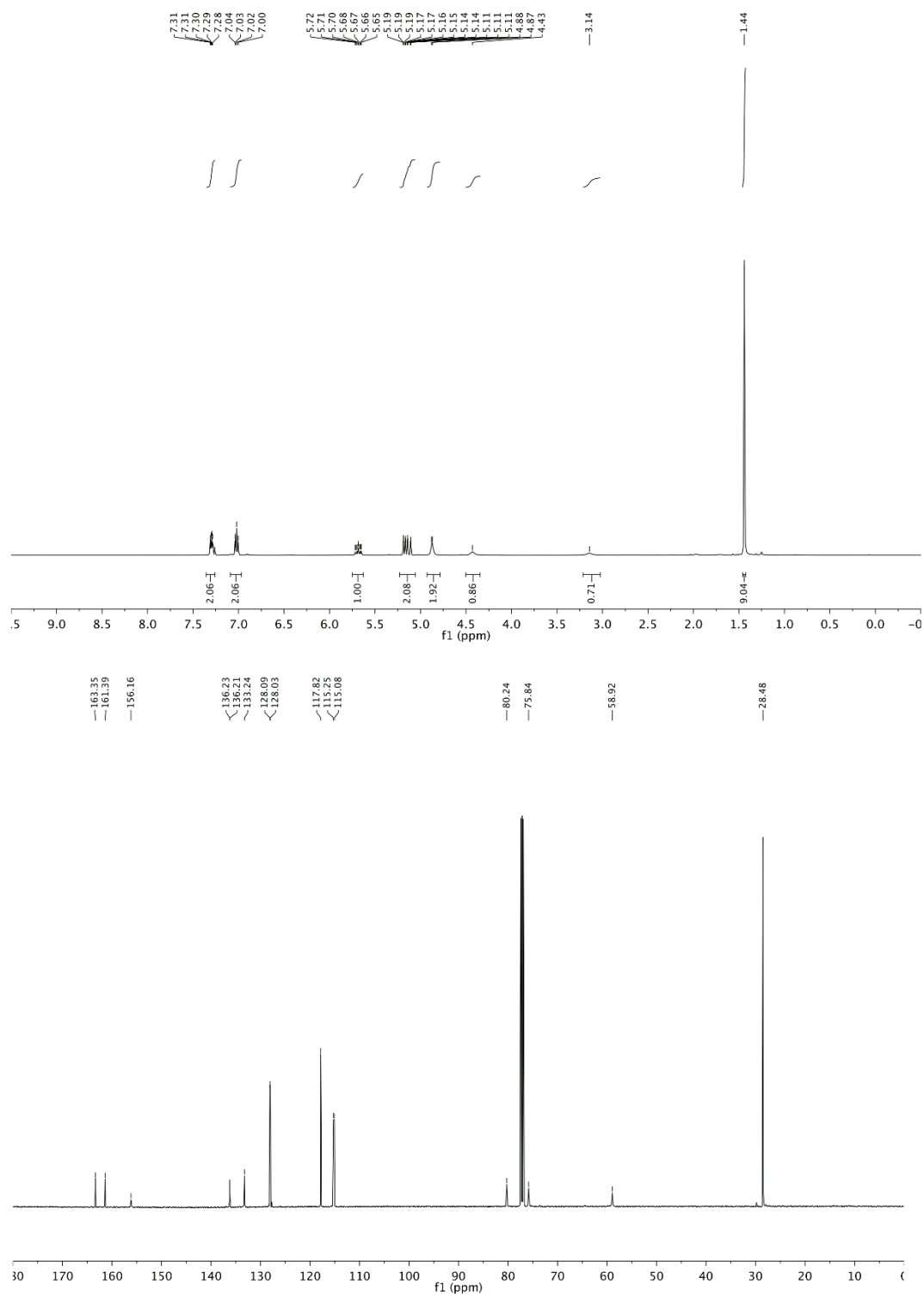
¹⁹F NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -115.06

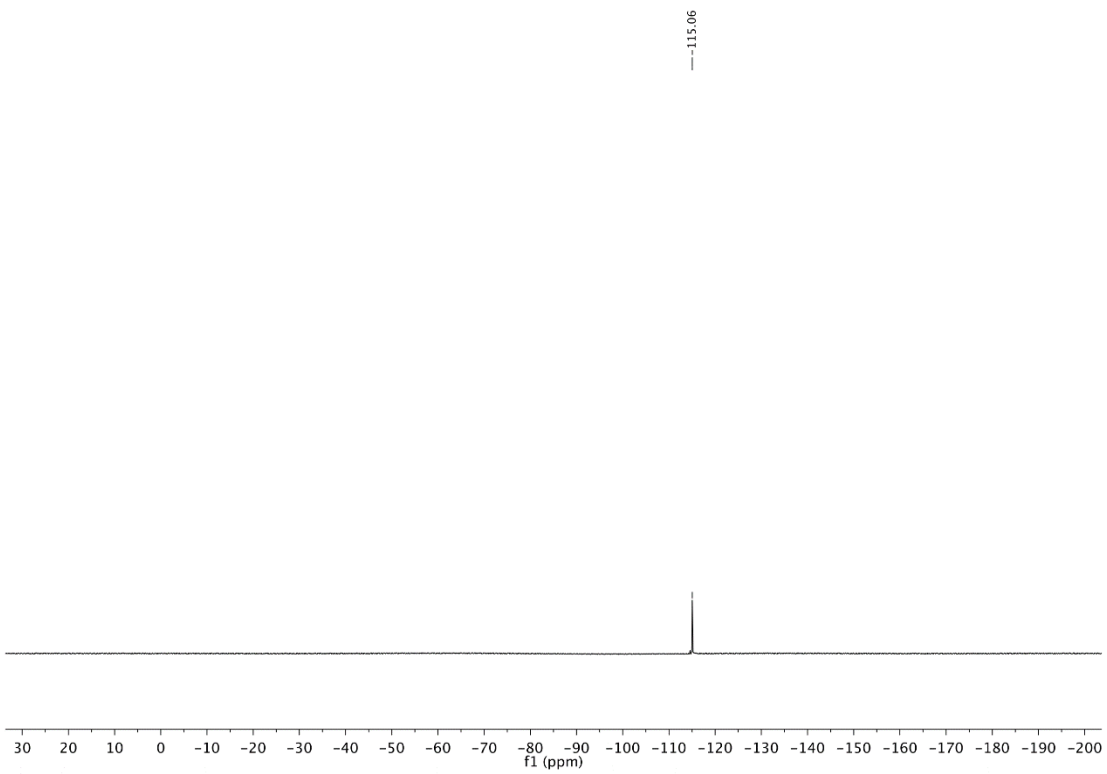
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 162.4(d, *J*_{C-F} = 245.7 Hz), 156.2, 136.2(d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.1 Hz), 133.2, 128.1(d, *J*_{C-F} = 8.0 Hz), 117.8, 115.2(d, *J*_{C-F} = 21.3 Hz), 80.2, 75.8, 58.9, 28.5.

HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₅H₂₀FNNaO₃ [M+Na]⁺: 304.1319, Found: 304.1328.

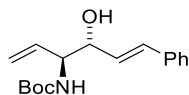
FTIR (neat): 3329, 2978, 2925, 1687, 1590, 1550, 1508, 1430, 1222, 1160, 1024, 837, 749, 694 cm⁻¹.

MP: 121-123 °C





tert-butyl (E)-(4-hydroxy-6-phenylhexa-1,5-dien-3-yl)carbamate (5.4n).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 62% over two steps (35.9 mg) as a yellow oil after column chromatography (SiO₂; 15%-20% EtOAc/hexanes).

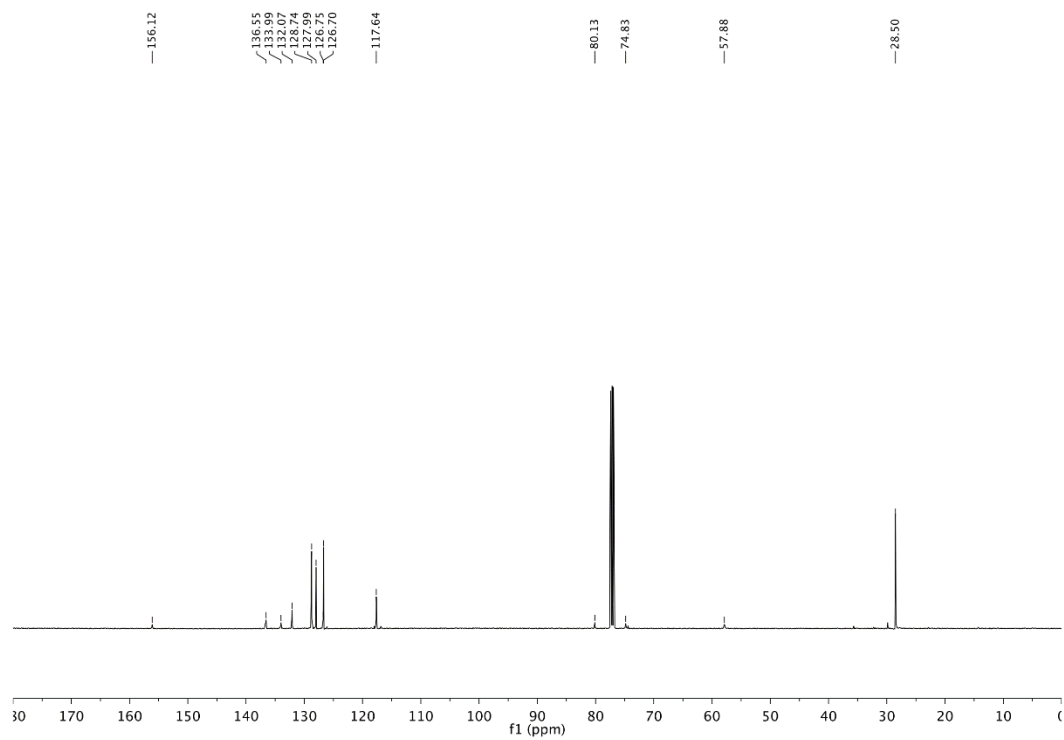
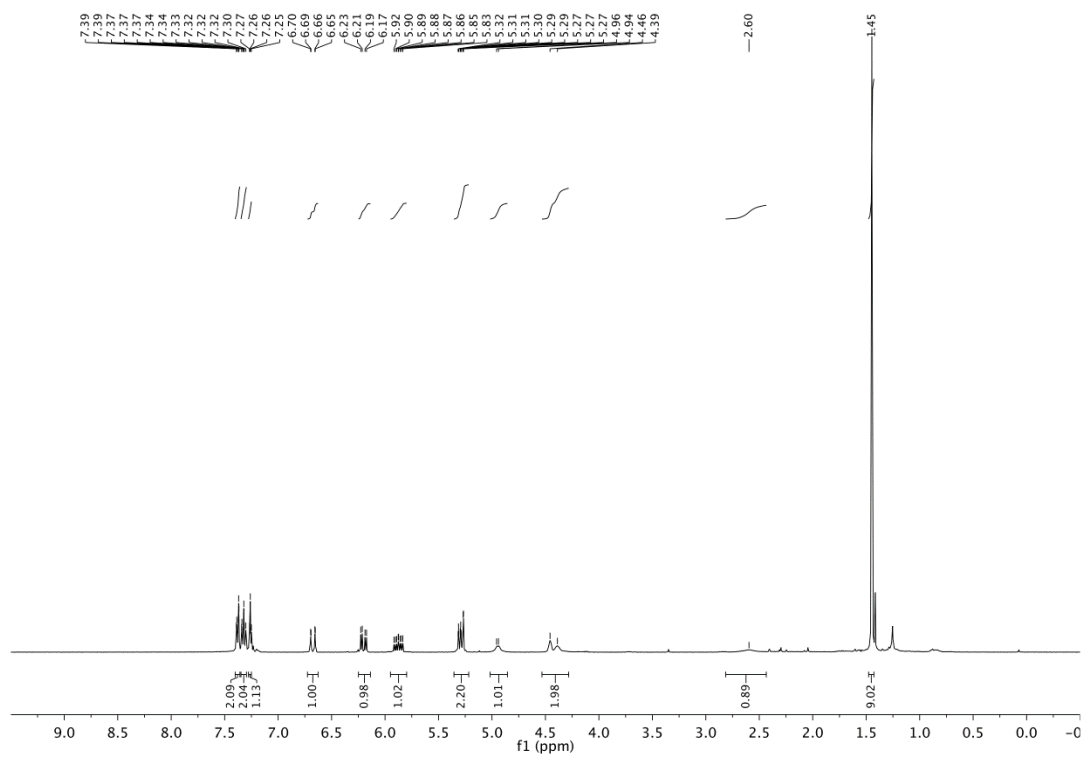
R_f=0.18 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.38 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.28 – 7.22 (m, 1H), 6.72 – 6.63 (m, 1H), 6.20 (dd, *J* = 16.0, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 5.88 (ddd, *J* = 16.7, 10.5, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 5.35 – 5.22 (m, 2H), 4.94 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 4.51 – 4.27 (m, 2H), 2.64 (br s, 1H), 1.45 (s, 9H).

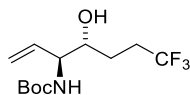
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.1, 136.6, 134.0, 132.1, 128.7, 128.0, 126.8, 126.7, 117.7, 80.1, 74.8, 57.9, 28.5.

HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₇H₂₃NO₃Na⁺ [M+Na]⁺: 312.1576, Found: 312.1576.

FTIR (neat): 3350, 2982, 2927, 1740, 1682, 1524, 1447, 1367, 1250, 1166, 1000, 967, 922, 750 cm⁻¹.



tert-butyl (7,7,7-trifluoro-4-hydroxyhept-1-en-3-yl)carbamate (5.4q).



In accordance with the general procedure, the title compound was obtained in 68% over two steps as a yellow oil (38.5 mg) after column chromatography (SiO₂; 20%-25% EtOAc/hexanes).

R_f=0.20 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes)

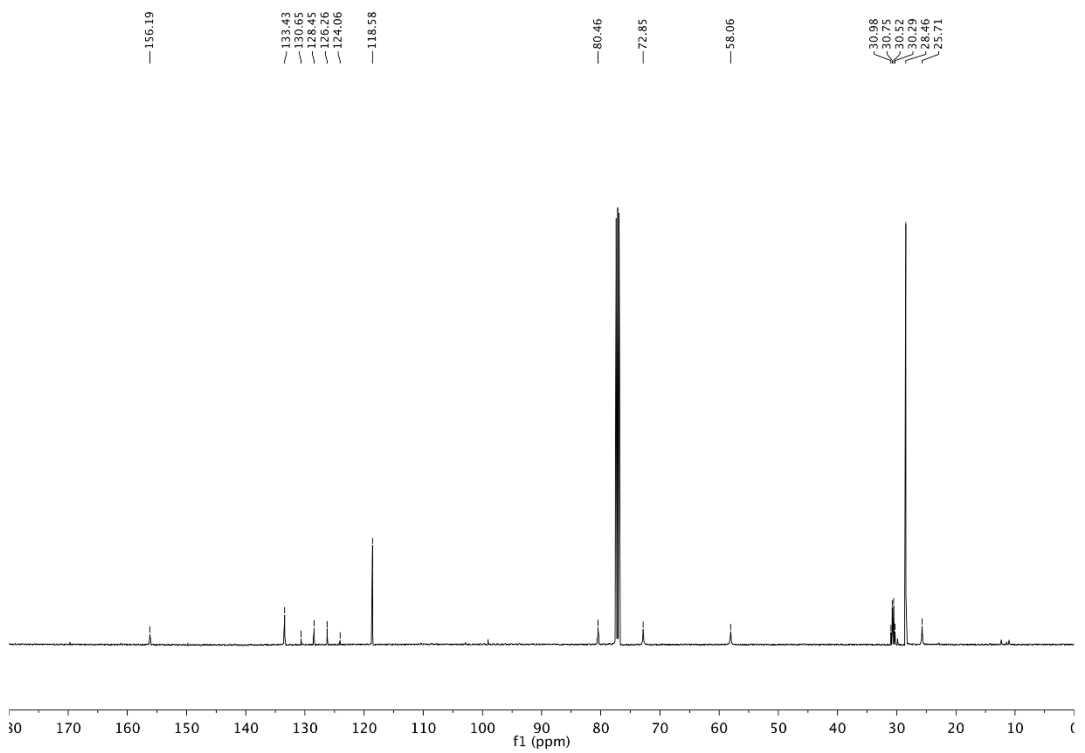
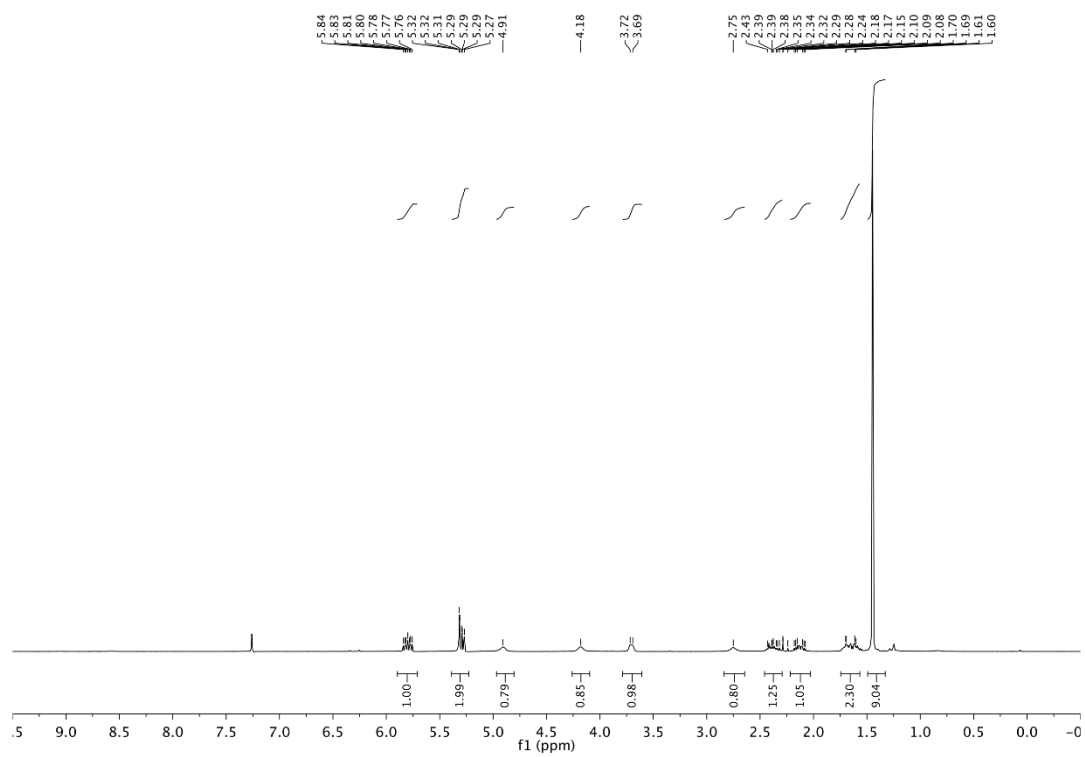
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.80 (ddd, *J* = 17.1, 10.7, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 5.37 – 5.22 (m, 2H), 4.90 (br s, 1H), 4.18 (br s, 1H), 3.70 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.73 (br s, 1H), 2.47 – 2.30 (m, 1H), 2.20 – 2.06 (m, 1H), 1.75 – 1.54 (m, 2H), 1.45 (s, 9H).

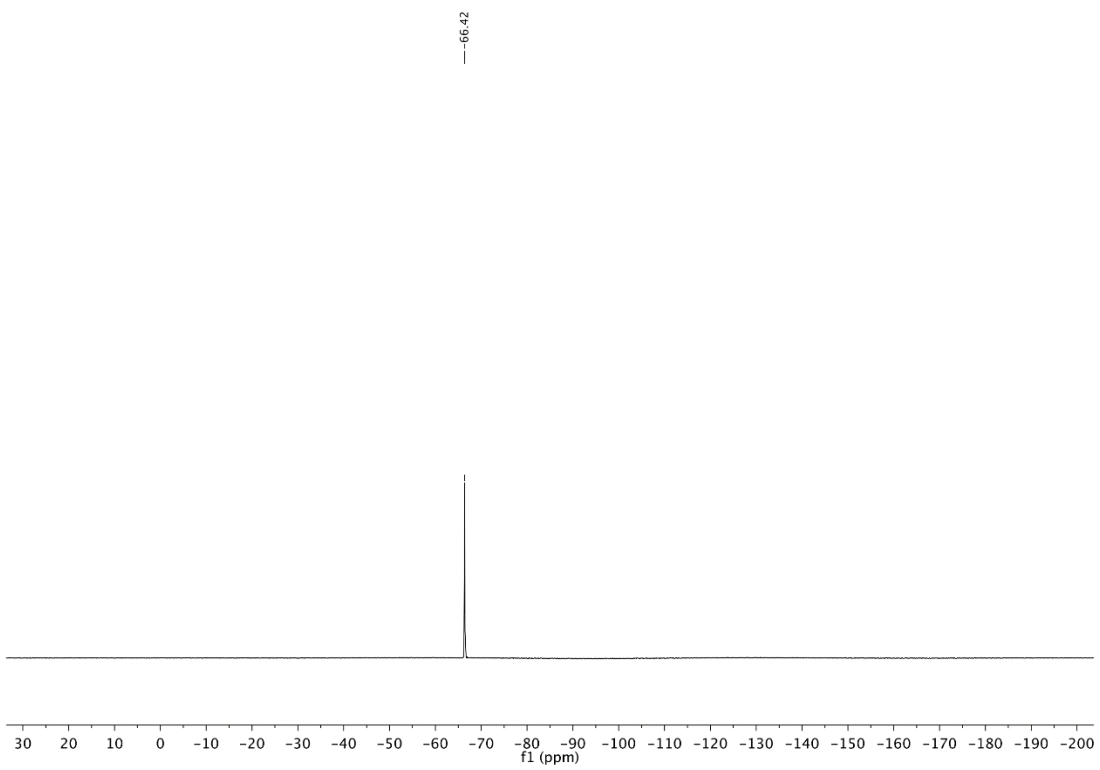
¹⁹F NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -66.4.

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.2, 133.4, 127.4 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 276.0), 118.6, 80.5, 72.9, 58.1, 30.6 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 29.0), 28.5, 25.7.

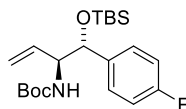
HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₂H₂₀F₃NO₃Na⁺ [*M*+Na]⁺: 306.1293, Found: 306.1292.

FTIR (neat): 3347, 2987, 2944, 1740, 1676, 1529, 1449, 1368, 1305, 1246, 1224, 1161, 1131, 1008, 935, 859, 769 cm⁻¹.





Procedure and Preparation of S1



To a stirred solution of compound **5.4b** (0.2 mmol, 100 mol %) in anhydrous DMF (1 mL, 0.2 M) were added imidazole (0.6 mmol, 300 mol %) and TBSCl (0.3 mmol, 150 mol %). The mixture was allowed to stir at 60 °C for 15 hours. H₂O was then added after the mixture cooled to room temperature. The mixture was extracted three times with EtOAc, and the combined organic layers was washed with brine and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. The solvent was removed in *vacuo* and the residue was subjected to column chromatography (SiO₂; 3%-5% EtOAc/Hexanes). The title compound was obtained as a colorless oil in 90% yield (71.3 mg).

R_f = 0.64 (20% EtOAc/Hexanes).

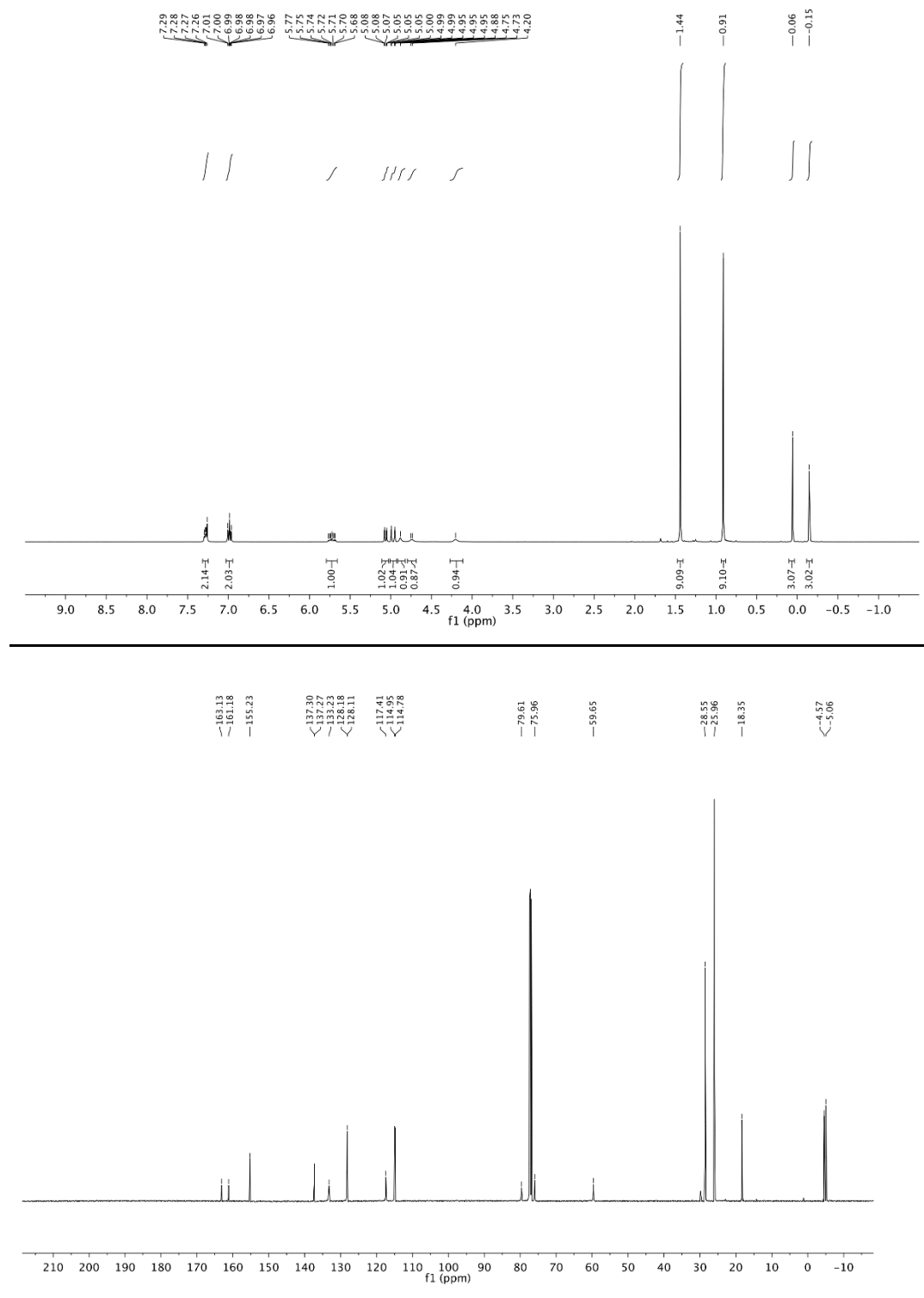
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.32 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.03 – 6.95 (m, 2H), 5.72 (ddd, *J* = 17.0, 10.5, 6.3 Hz, 1H), 5.06 (dt, *J* = 10.6, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.97 (dt, *J* = 17.3, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.88 (s, 1H), 4.74 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 1.44 (s, 9H), 0.91 (s, 9H), 0.06 (s, 3H), -0.15 (s, 3H).

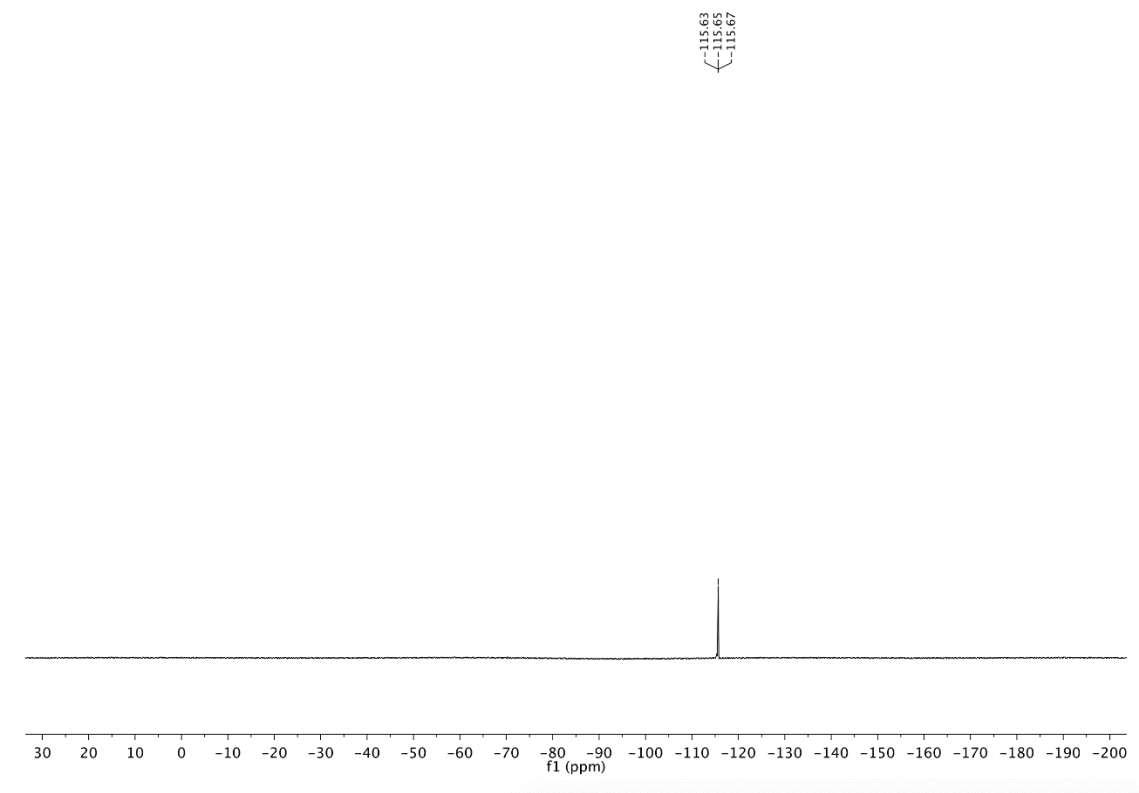
¹⁹F HMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -115.6.

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 162.2 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 244.8 Hz), 155.2, 137.3 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.1 Hz), 133.23, 128.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 8.0 Hz), 117.41, 114.9 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 21.3 Hz), 79.61, 75.96, 59.65, 28.55, 25.96, 18.35, -4.57, -5.06.

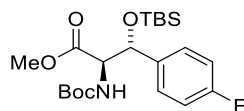
HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₂₁H₃₄FN₃NaO₃Si [M+Na]⁺: 418.2192, Found: 418.2184.

FTIR (neat): 2956, 2930, 2858, 1707, 1509, 1366, 1253, 1223, 1169, 1088, 992, 864, 837, 776, 669 cm⁻¹.





General Procedure and Preparation of 5.5b



To a stirred solution of compound **S1** (0.15 mmol, 100 mol%) in MeCN:CCl₄:H₂O (1.5 mL, 1:1:1.5, 0.1 M) were added NaIO₄ (0.75 mmol, 500 mol %) and RuCl₃·xH₂O (0.0075 mmol, 5 mol %). The mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 12 hours until the complete consumption of the starting material as monitored by TLC. The mixture was diluted with DCM, filtered through a short pad of celite and washed with DCM. The filtrate was washed with H₂O and the aqueous phase was extracted three times with DCM. The combined organic layers was washed with brine and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. The solvent was removed in *vacuo* and the residue was dissolved in CHCl₃:MeOH (1.5 mL, 2:1, 0.1 M). TMSCH₂N₂ in hexanes (0.15 mL, 0.3 mmol, 200 mol %) was then added dropwise. The mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 2 hours. The solvent was then removed in *vacuo* and the residue was subjected to column chromatography (SiO₂; 3%-5% EtOAc/Hexanes). The title compound was obtained as a colorless oil in 65% yield over two steps (41.7 mg).

R_f = 0.23 (10% EtOAc/Hexanes).

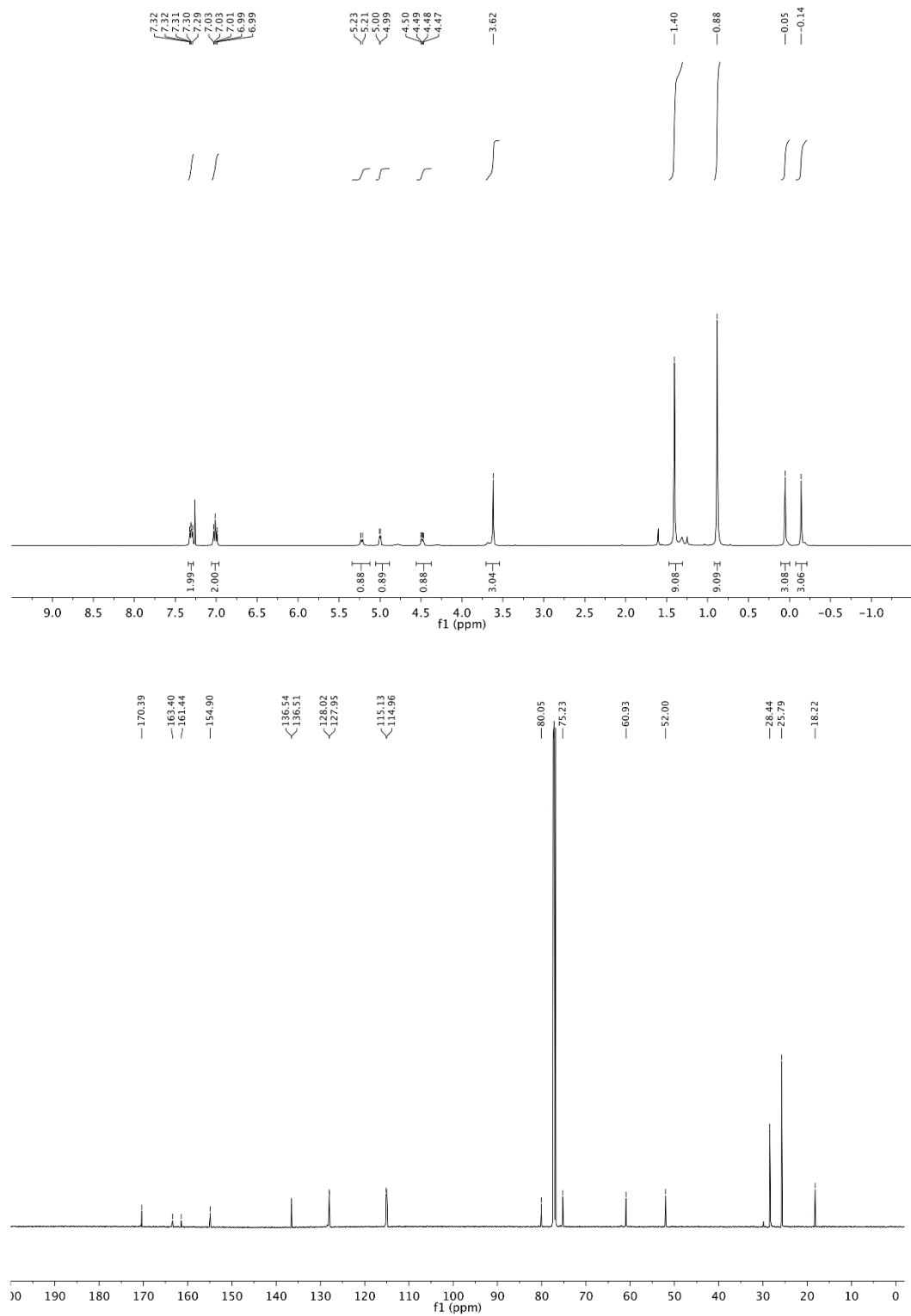
¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.31 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 5.4 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (t, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 5.22 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (d, *J* = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 4.49 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.62 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 9H), 0.88 (s, 9H), 0.05 (s, 3H), -0.14 (s, 3H).

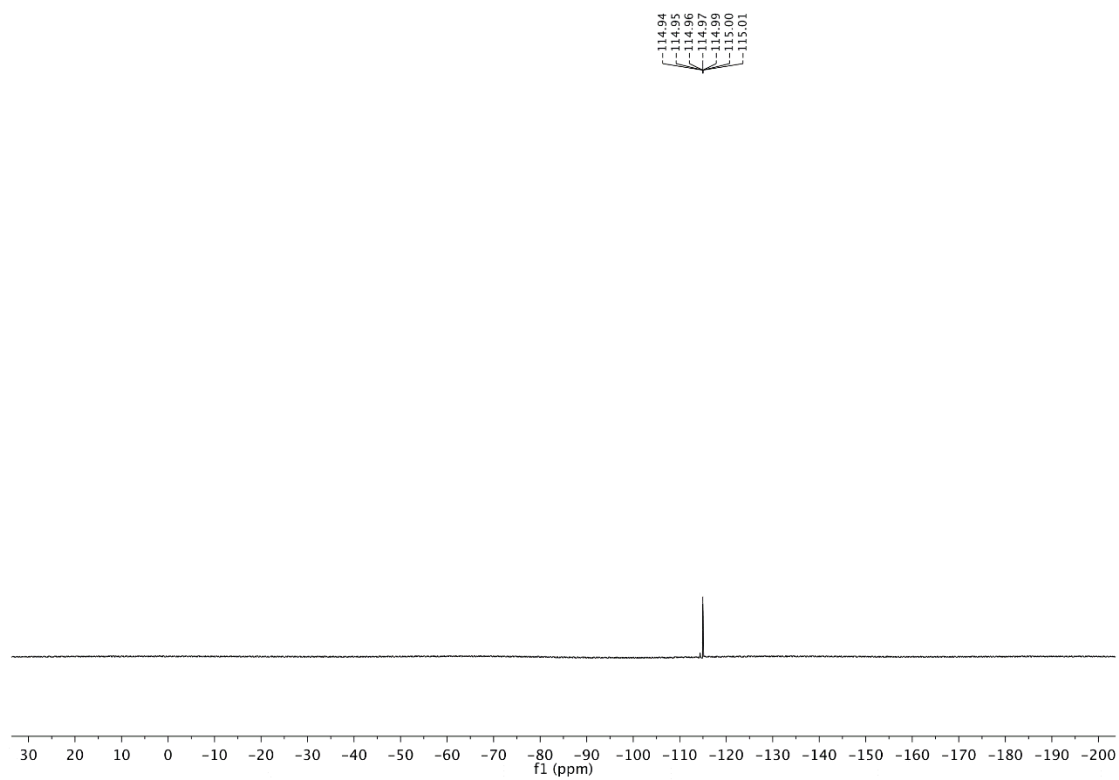
¹⁹F NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -115.0.

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 170.4, 162.4 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 245.7 Hz), 154.9, 136.5 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.1 Hz), 128.0 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 8.1 Hz), 115.0 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 21.7 Hz), 80.1, 75.2, 60.9, 52.0, 28.4, 25.8, 18.2, -4.7, -5.2.

HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₂₁H₃₄FNO₅SiNa⁺ [M+Na]⁺: 450.2088, Found: 450.2089.

FTIR (neat): 2954, 2928, 2852, 1712, 1606, 1509, 1365, 1253, 1222, 1156, 1088, 1015, 854, 837, 777, 757, 699 cm⁻¹.





Crystallographic Material for 5.4b

X-ray Experimental for C₁₅H₂₀FNO₃ (5.4b)

X-ray Experimental for complex C₁₅H₂₀NO₃F: Crystals grew as long, very thin colorless needles by vapor diffusion of pentane into diethyl ether. The data crystal was cut from a longer crystal and had approximate dimensions; 0.32 x 0.03 x 0.02 mm. The data were collected on an Agilent Technologies SuperNova Dual Source diffractometer using a μ -focus Cu K α radiation source (λ = 1.5418 Å) with collimating mirror monochromators. A total of 364 frames of data were collected using ω -scans with a scan range of 1° and a counting time of 53 seconds per frame with a detector offset of +/- 42.4° and 120 seconds per frame with a detector offset of +/- 109.8°. The data were collected at 100 K using an Oxford 700 Cryostream low temperature device. Details of crystal data, data collection and structure refinement are listed in Table 1. Data collection, unit cell refinement and data reduction were performed using Agilent Technologies CrysAlisPro V 1.171.38.43f.¹² The structure was solved by direct methods using SHELXT¹³ and refined by full-matrix least-squares on F² with anisotropic displacement parameters for the non-H atoms using SHELXL-2016/6.¹⁴ Structure analysis was aided by use of the programs PLATON¹⁵ and WinGX.¹⁶ The hydrogen atoms were calculated in ideal positions with isotropic displacement parameters set to 1.2xUeq of the attached atom (1.5xUeq for methyl hydrogen atoms). The hydrogen atoms bound to N1 atoms was located in a ΔF map and refined with an isotropic displacement parameter.

The function, $\sum w(|F_o|^2 - |F_c|^2)^2$, was minimized, where $w = 1/[(\sigma(F_o))^2 + (0.0829 \cdot P)^2 + (1.279 \cdot P)]$ and $P = (|F_o|^2 + 2|F_c|^2)/3$. $R_w(F^2)$ refined to 0.226, with $R(F)$ equal to 0.0859 and a goodness of fit, S , = 1.12. Definitions used for calculating $R(F)$, $R_w(F^2)$ and the goodness of fit, S , are given below.¹⁷ The data were checked for secondary extinction effects but no correction was necessary. Neutral atom scattering factors and values used to calculate the linear absorption coefficient are from the International Tables for X-ray Crystallography (1992).¹⁸ All figures were generated using SHELXTL/PC.¹⁹ Tables of positional and thermal parameters, bond lengths and angles, torsion angles and figures are found elsewhere.

Table 5.2. Crystal data and structure refinement for **5.4b**.

Empirical formula	C ₁₅ H ₂₀ F N O ₃	
Formula weight	281.32	
Temperature	100(2) K	
Wavelength	1.54184 Å	
Crystal system	orthorhombic	
Space group	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	
Unit cell dimensions	<i>a</i> = 5.0624(7) Å	$\alpha = 90^\circ$.
	<i>b</i> = 10.961(3) Å	$\beta = 90^\circ$.
	<i>c</i> = 26.361(4) Å	$\gamma = 90^\circ$.
Volume	1462.8(5) Å ³	
Z	4	
Density (calculated)	1.277 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.805 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	600	
Crystal size	0.320 x 0.030 x 0.020 mm ³	
Theta range for data collection	3.353 to 75.126°.	
Index ranges	-6 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 5, -13 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 13, -16 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 32	
Reflections collected	3095	
Independent reflections	2260 [R(int) = 0.0495]	
Completeness to theta = 67.684°	98.3 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	
Max. and min. transmission	1.00 and 0.602	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	2260 / 120 / 189	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.115	
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	<i>R</i> _I = 0.0859, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.2060	
R indices (all data)	<i>R</i> _I = 0.1075, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.2259	
Absolute structure parameter	-0.1(5)	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.410 and -0.349 e.Å ⁻³	

Table 5.3. Atomic coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for **5.4b**. U(eq) is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized U^{ij} tensor.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
C1	7659(13)	4793(7)	4370(2)	29(1)
C2	8520(15)	5686(6)	4041(3)	32(2)
C3	7279(15)	6825(7)	4013(3)	38(2)
C4	5107(16)	7028(7)	4318(3)	40(2)
C5	4209(16)	6184(6)	4659(3)	36(2)
C6	5483(14)	5045(6)	4680(3)	31(2)
C7	8945(13)	3552(6)	4378(2)	29(1)
C8	7725(14)	2666(6)	3980(2)	29(1)
C9	9128(15)	1463(6)	3979(2)	31(2)
C10	8127(18)	409(7)	4112(3)	42(2)
C11	5661(13)	3694(6)	3247(2)	27(1)
C12	4442(13)	4878(7)	2485(3)	32(2)
C13	2766(15)	3897(7)	2236(3)	34(2)
C14	6199(16)	5491(9)	2093(3)	44(2)
C15	2845(15)	5817(7)	2768(3)	36(2)
N9	7818(11)	3209(6)	3479(2)	28(1)
O1	8915(9)	2984(5)	4867(2)	30(1)
O2	3408(8)	3610(5)	3397(2)	31(1)
O3	6425(9)	4295(5)	2824(2)	33(1)
F1	3859(11)	8130(4)	4290(2)	54(1)

Table 5.4. Bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for **5.4b**.

C1-C2	1.379(10)	C14-H14B	0.98
C1-C6	1.399(10)	C14-H14C	0.98
C1-C7	1.508(10)	C15-H15A	0.98
C2-C3	1.399(10)	C15-H15B	0.98
C2-H2	0.95	C15-H15C	0.98
C3-C4	1.380(11)	N9-H9N	0.83(7)
C3-H3	0.95	O1-H1O	0.84
C4-F1	1.365(8)	C2-C1-C6	118.4(7)
C4-C5	1.366(11)	C2-C1-C7	120.8(6)
C5-C6	1.406(10)	C6-C1-C7	120.7(6)
C5-H5	0.95	C1-C2-C3	121.7(7)
C6-H6	0.95	C1-C2-H2	119.2
C7-O1	1.433(8)	C3-C2-H2	119.2
C7-C8	1.557(9)	C4-C3-C2	118.1(7)
C7-H7	1.0000	C4-C3-H3	121.0
C8-N9	1.450(9)	C2-C3-H3	121.0
C8-C9	1.497(9)	F1-C4-C5	118.8(7)
C8-H8	1.00	F1-C4-C3	118.7(7)
C9-C10	1.309(10)	C5-C4-C3	122.5(7)
C9-H9	0.95	C4-C5-C6	118.4(7)
C10-H10A	0.95	C4-C5-H5	120.8
C10-H10B	0.95	C6-C5-H5	120.8
C11-O2	1.210(8)	C5-C6-C1	120.9(7)
C11-O3	1.354(8)	C5-C6-H6	119.6
C11-N9	1.359(9)	C1-C6-H6	119.6
C12-O3	1.487(8)	O1-C7-C1	113.6(6)
C12-C15	1.507(11)	O1-C7-C8	109.3(6)
C12-C13	1.518(10)	C1-C7-C8	112.5(5)
C12-C14	1.522(10)	O1-C7-H7	107.0
C13-H13A	0.98	C1-C7-H7	107.0
C13-H13B	0.98	C8-C7-H7	107.0
C13-H13C	0.98	N9-C8-C9	110.2(6)
C14-H14A	0.98	N9-C8-C7	110.1(6)

Table 5.4 Continued

C9-C8-C7	111.2(5)	H13A-C13-H13B	109.5
N9-C8-H8	108.4	C12-C13-H13C	109.5
C9-C8-H8	108.4	H13A-C13-H13C	109.5
C7-C8-H8	108.4	H13B-C13-H13C	109.5
C10-C9-C8	126.4(7)	C12-C14-H14A	109.5
C10-C9-H9	116.8	C12-C14-H14B	109.5
C8-C9-H9	116.8	H14A-C14-H14B	109.5
C9-C10-H10A	120.0	C12-C14-H14C	109.5
C9-C10-H10B	120.0	H14A-C14-H14C	109.5
H10A-C10-H10B	120.0	H14B-C14-H14C	109.5
O2-C11-O3	125.2(6)	C12-C15-H15A	109.5
O2-C11-N9	125.5(6)	C12-C15-H15B	109.5
O3-C11-N9	109.4(6)	H15A-C15-H15B	109.5
O3-C12-C15	111.0(6)	C12-C15-H15C	109.5
O3-C12-C13	109.5(6)	H15A-C15-H15C	109.5
C15-C12-C13	113.5(6)	H15B-C15-H15C	109.5
O3-C12-C14	101.7(5)	C11-N9-C8	123.0(6)
C15-C12-C14	110.4(7)	C11-N9-H9N	128(4)
C13-C12-C14	110.2(6)	C8-N9-H9N	108(4)
C12-C13-H13A	109.5	C7-O1-H1O	109.5
C12-C13-H13B	109.5	C11-O3-C12	120.7(5)

Table 5.5. Anisotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for **5.4b**. The anisotropic displacement factor exponent takes the form: $-2\pi^2 [h^2 a^{*2} U^{11} + \dots + 2 h k a^* b^* U^{12}]$

	U11	U22	U33	U23	U13	U12
C1	25(3)	33(3)	29(3)	-2(3)	-6(3)	-3(3)
C2	30(3)	31(3)	35(3)	1(3)	-2(3)	-5(3)
C3	31(3)	34(4)	49(4)	7(3)	-3(3)	-7(3)
C4	40(4)	25(3)	53(4)	-4(3)	-5(3)	-3(3)
C5	36(4)	28(3)	43(4)	-8(3)	0(3)	2(3)
C6	24(3)	31(3)	37(3)	-1(3)	4(3)	-4(3)
C7	21(3)	33(3)	33(3)	2(3)	-1(3)	1(3)
C8	24(3)	31(3)	33(3)	4(3)	0(3)	1(3)
C9	36(4)	24(3)	33(3)	-4(3)	-7(3)	5(3)
C10	53(5)	31(4)	41(4)	2(3)	-2(4)	1(4)
C11	19(3)	25(3)	35(3)	-3(3)	-7(3)	1(3)
C12	16(3)	40(4)	40(3)	8(3)	-1(3)	0(3)
C13	29(4)	37(4)	37(3)	-1(3)	-7(3)	8(3)
C14	31(4)	61(5)	40(4)	20(4)	1(3)	0(4)
C15	31(4)	31(4)	45(4)	6(3)	-5(3)	-4(3)
N9	11(2)	36(3)	36(3)	0(2)	-3(2)	1(2)
O1	21(2)	39(3)	31(2)	3(2)	2(2)	3(2)
O2	13(2)	36(3)	43(3)	4(2)	1(2)	-1(2)
O3	18(2)	45(3)	34(2)	13(2)	0(2)	0(2)
F1	56(3)	23(2)	82(3)	3(2)	-2(3)	5(2)

Table 5.6. Hydrogen coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for **5.4b**.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
H2	9992	5525	3828	38
H3	7913	7440	3791	45
H5	2759	6362	4875	43
H6	4858	4440	4908	37
H7	10839	3671	4283	35
H8	5834	2521	4072	35
H9	10919	1466	3872	37
H10A	6344	359	4222	50
H10B	9185	-306	4098	50
H13A	3920	3285	2080	52
H13B	1649	4268	1975	52
H13C	1649	3506	2492	52
H14A	7310	6104	2259	66
H14B	5096	5887	1835	66
H14C	7324	4877	1930	66
H15A	1414	5412	2954	54
H15B	2094	6402	2527	54
H15C	3989	6249	3008	54
H1O	7348	2834	4952	46
H9N	9390(140)	3320(60)	3400(20)	8(14)

Table 5.7. Torsion angles [°] for **5.4b**.

C6-C1-C2-C3	0.2(10)
C7-C1-C2-C3	177.2(6)
C1-C2-C3-C4	-1.4(11)
C2-C3-C4-F1	-179.2(7)
C2-C3-C4-C5	2.9(11)
F1-C4-C5-C6	179.1(7)
C3-C4-C5-C6	-2.9(11)
C4-C5-C6-C1	1.6(11)
C2-C1-C6-C5	-0.2(10)
C7-C1-C6-C5	-177.3(6)
C2-C1-C7-O1	148.9(6)
C6-C1-C7-O1	-34.2(8)
C2-C1-C7-C8	-86.3(7)
C6-C1-C7-C8	90.7(7)
O1-C7-C8-N9	-178.1(5)
C1-C7-C8-N9	54.7(7)
O1-C7-C8-C9	-55.6(7)
C1-C7-C8-C9	177.2(6)
N9-C8-C9-C10	-123.2(8)
C7-C8-C9-C10	114.3(8)
O2-C11-N9-C8	-8.9(11)
O3-C11-N9-C8	170.6(6)
C9-C8-N9-C11	132.9(7)
C7-C8-N9-C11	-104.0(7)
O2-C11-O3-C12	-2.8(11)
N9-C11-O3-C12	177.7(6)
C15-C12-O3-C11	59.1(8)
C13-C12-O3-C11	-66.9(8)
C14-C12-O3-C11	176.5(6)

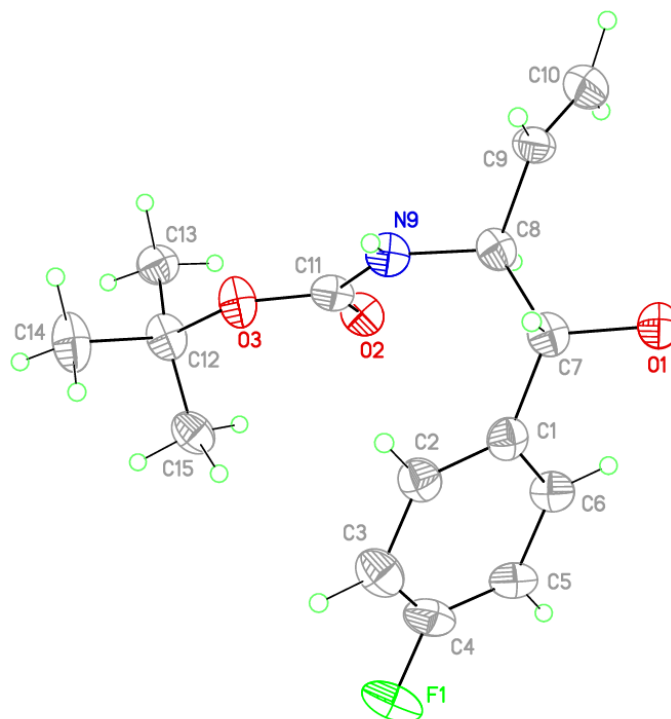
Table 5.8. Hydrogen bonds for **5.4b** [Å and °].

D-H...A	d(D-H)	d(H...A)	d(D...A)	<(DHA)
C13-H13C...O2	0.98	2.55	3.094(9)	115.1
O1-H1O...O1#1	0.84	2.01	2.832(4)	164.8
N9-H9N...O2#2	0.83(7)	2.06(7)	2.872(7)	167(6)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

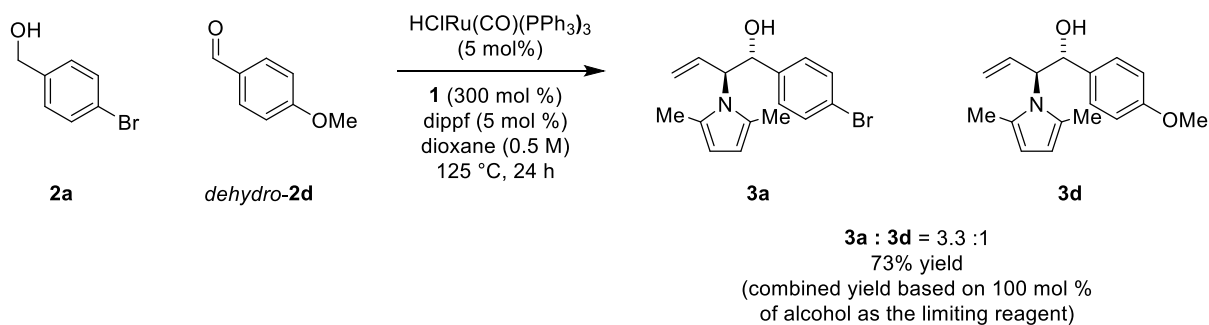
#1 $x-1/2, -y+1/2, -z+1$ #2 $x+1, y, z$

Figure 5.2. View of **5.4b** showing the atom labeling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are scaled to the 50% probability level.



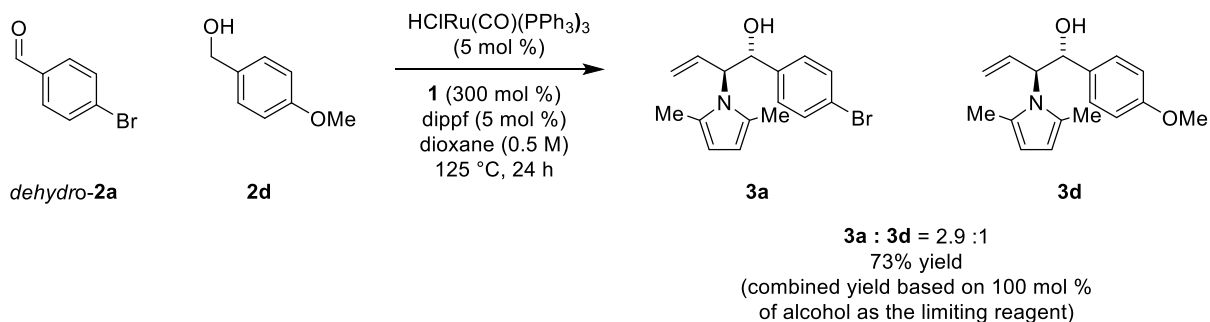
Competition Experiment Establishing Rapid Redox Equilibrium

Reaction between Alcohol **5.2a** and Aldehyde *dehydro-5.2d*



To a resealable pressure tube (13x100) were added $\text{HClRu(CO)(PPh}_3)_3$ (9.5 mg, 0.010 mmol, 5 mol %), dippf (4.2 mg, 0.010 mmol, 5 mol %) and alcohol **5.2a** (37.4 mg, 0.2 mmol, 100 mol %). The tube was sealed with a rubber septum and purged with argon for 20 minutes. Dioxane (0.40 mL, 0.5 M) was added to the reaction vessel. Aldehyde *dehydro-5.2d* (24.3 μL , 0.2 mmol, 100 mol %) and acetylenic pyrrole **5.1** (0.60 mmol, 300 mol %) were subsequently added to the reaction vessel and the rubber septum was quickly replaced with a screw cap. The mixture was allowed to stir at 125 °C for 24 hours. The mixture was then allowed to cool to room temperature and the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. The residue was subjected to column chromatography (SiO_2 ; 7.5%-10% EtOAc/Hexanes) and a 3.3:1 mixture of **5.3a** (35.9 mg, 56% yield) and **5.3d** (9.3 mg, 17% yield).

Reaction between Alcohol **5.2d** and Aldehyde *dehydro-5.2a*



To a resealable pressure tube (13x100) were added $\text{HClRu(CO)(PPh}_3)_3$ (9.5 mg, 0.010 mmol, 5 mol %), dippf (4.2 mg, 0.010 mmol, 5 mol %) and aldehyde *dehydro-5.2a* (37.0 mg, 0.2 mmol, 100 mol %). The tube was sealed with a rubber septum and purged with argon for 20 minutes. Dioxane (0.40 mL, 0.5 M) was added to the reaction vessel. Alcohol **5.2d** (24.8 μL , 0.2 mmol, 100 mol %) and acetylenic pyrrole **1** (0.60 mmol, 300 mol %) were subsequently added to the reaction vessel and the rubber septum was quickly replaced with a screw cap. The mixture was allowed to stir at 125 °C for 24 hours. The mixture was then allowed to cool to room temperature and the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. The residue was subjected to column chromatography (SiO_2 ; 7.5%-10% EtOAc/Hexanes) and a 2.9:1 mixture of **5.3a** (34.5 mg, 54% yield) and **5.3d** (10.2 mg, 19% yield).

Chapter 6: Enantioselective Iridium Catalyzed *anti*-(α -Aryl)allylation of Fluoral Hydrate and Difluoroacetaldehyde Ethyl Hemiacetal*

6.1 INTRODUCTION

Alcohol mediated carbonyl reductive couplings has been developed broadly by Krische group, by which catalytic enantioselective carbonyl allylations and propargylations.¹ Branched aryl-substituted allylic acetates were explored in the coupling with paraformaldehyde mediated by 2-propanol to form primary homoallylic alcohols and high enantioselectivity was observed.² While when higher aldehyde was used in the reductive coupling with branched aryl-substituted allylic acetate, a correlation between enantioselectivity and aldehyde electrophilicity was found, which is with the increasing of carbonyl electrophilicity enantioselectivity increases.

There is no systematic study on catalytic enantioselective carbonyl (α -aryl)allylation in the literatures, and in many of the examples chiral auxiliaries were involved,³ modest enantioselectivity were observed.⁴ Enantioselective (α -aryl)allylation of fluoral and difluoroacetaldehyde, which are readily commercial available resources of fluorinated moieties, were not reported before.

In this chapter, iridium catalyzed 2-propanol mediated enantioselective reductive coupling of branched aryl-substituted allylic acetates with fluoral and difluoroacetaldehyde was reported. The correlation between enantioselectivity and carbonyl electrophilicity was explained by different carbonyl binding modes: diastereomeric kinetic and thermodynamic coordination.

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6.2 REACTION DEVELOPMENT AND SCOPE

Initially, different *p*-substituted benzaldehydes **6.1a-6.1f** were exposed to 1-(4-bromophenyl)allyl acetate **6.2b** under 2-propanol mediated reductive coupling conditions, whereas iridium complex modified by (S)-Cl, MeO-BIPHEP was used (Table 6.1, entries 1-6). From the results of these experiments, a clear correlation between enantioselectivity and carbonyl electrophilicity σ was observed. For the electron-rich carbonyl, such as *p*-(dimethylamino)benzaldehyde **6.1a**, and *p*-methoxybenzaldehyde **6.1b**, carbonyl addition

Table 6.1 Correlation between Enantioselectivity with Carbonyl Electrophilicity in Carbonyl reductive (α -Aryl)allylation.

Entry	R		6.1a-6.1i	6.3a-6.3h	Yield%	dr	ee%
1	4-Me ₂ N-Ph	-0.83	6.1a	6.3a	16	4:1	1
2	4-MeO-Ph	-0.27	6.1b	6.3b	54	9:1	5
3	4-Me-Ph	-0.17	6.1c	6.3c	69	4:1	12
4	Ph	0.00	6.1d	6.3d	74	4:1	15
5	4-F-Ph	0.06	6.1e	6.3e	88	3:1	16
6	4-Br-Ph	0.23	6.1f	6.3f	88	4:1	23
7	3-(6-Br-Pyr)	-	6.1g	6.3g	82	5:1	37
8	2-(6-Br-Pyr)	-	6.1h	6.3h	75	4:1	65
9 ^b	CF ₃	-	6.1i	6.4b	88	>20:1	94

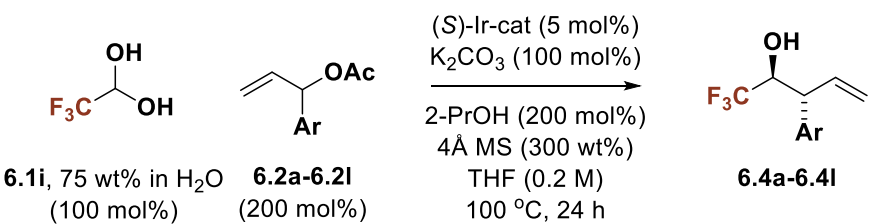
^aYields are material isolated by silica gel chromatography. See supporting Information for further experimental details. ^b4Å MS (300 wt %), and fluoral hydrate in water (75 wt %)

products were obtained in nearly racemic form. When fluoral hydrate **6.1i** was used with addition of 4Å molecular sieves, carbonyl (α -aryl)allylation product was isolated in 88% yield with complete *anti*-diastereoselectivity and excellent enantioselectivity (Table 6.1, entry 9). Molecular sieves was crucial for this reaction, which is due to it helped with dehydration of fluoral hydrate.

The above conditions were applied to different branched aryl-substituted allylic acetates **6.2a-6.2l**, and the corresponding coupling adducts **6.4a-6.4l** were obtained in uniformly high enantioselectivity and complete diastereoselectivity and good to excellent yields (Table 6.2). Not only mono-substituted aryl moieties on the allylic acetates could promote the C-C coupling, di-substituted aryl moieties could also engage in the coupling with fluoral hydrate under iridium catalysis. Notably, heteroaromatic ring bearing allylic acetates **6.2i-6.2l** also gave the corresponding adducts **6.4i-6.4l**. The absolute stereochemical structure of **6.4l** was determined by single crystal X-ray diffraction analysis, and the absolute structure of other adducts were made in analogy to compound **6.4l**.

With the optimal conditions, difluoroacetaldehyde ethyl hemiacetal in ethanol (90 wt %), which is the only available source for difluoroacetaldehyde, was tested as an electrophile in the carbonyl (α -aryl)allylation. Utilizing the same set of branched aryl-substituted allylic acetates, CHF₂-bearing β -aryl alcohols **6.5a-6.5l** were formed in good yields with complete *anti*-diastereoselectivity and high enantioselectivity as well. As we know that ethanol itself could engage in the reodox-triggered carbonyl addition reaction, small amount of (3-14% yield) ethanol coupling products were observed as side products. The absolute stereochemical structure of **6.5l** was determined by single crystal X-ray

Table 6.2 Iridium Catalyzed Enantioselective Reductive Coupling of Fluoral Hydrate **6.1i** to Form CF₃-Bearing Adducts **6.4a-6.4l**.

		
6.1i , 75 wt% in H ₂ O (100 mol%)	6.2a-6.2l (200 mol%)	6.4a-6.4l
6.2a , Ar = Ph	6.2b , Ar = 4-Br-Ph	6.2c , Ar = 4-CF ₃ -Ph
6.2d , Ar = 4-Me-Ph	6.2e , Ar = 4-MeO-Ph	6.2f , Ar = 2-Cl-Ph
6.2g , Ar = 3,5-Cl ₂ -Ph	6.2h , Ar = 5-Benzodioxolyl	6.2i , Ar = 2-Furyl
6.2j , Ar = 2-Thienyl	6.2k , Ar = 5-(2-MeO-Pyr)	6.2l , Ar = 4-Quinoliny

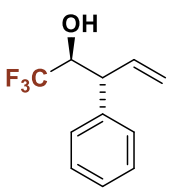
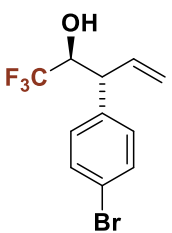
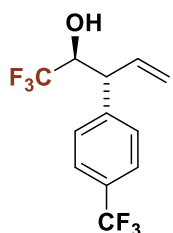
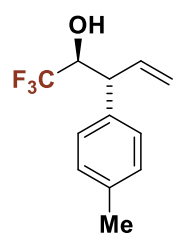
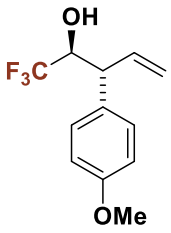
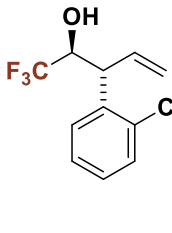
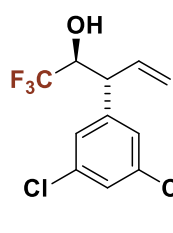
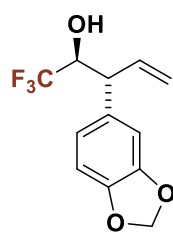
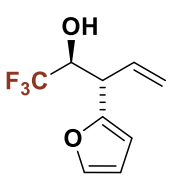
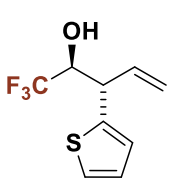
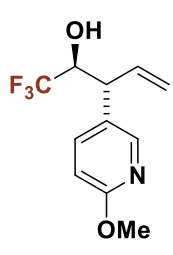
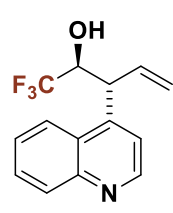
 6.4a , 85% Yield, >20:1 dr, 93% ee	 6.4b , 88% Yield, >20:1 dr, 94% ee	 6.4c , 64% Yield, >20:1 dr, 93% ee	 6.4d , 77% Yield, >20:1 dr, 92% ee
 6.4e , 71% Yield, >20:1 dr, 92% ee	 6.4f , 60% Yield, >20:1 dr, 89% ee	 6.4g , 91% Yield, >20:1 dr, 94% ee	 6.4h , 84% Yield, >20:1 dr, 92% ee
 6.4i , 61% Yield, >20:1 dr, 94% ee	 6.4j , 82% Yield, >20:1 dr, 94% ee	 6.4k , 87% Yield, >20:1 dr, 91% ee	 6.4l , 84% Yield, >20:1 dr, 93% ee (X-Ray)

Table 6.3 Iridium Catalyzed Enantioselective Reductive Coupling of Difluoroacetaldehyde Ethyl Hemiacetal **6.1j** to Form CHF₂-Bearing Adducts **6.5a-6.5l**.

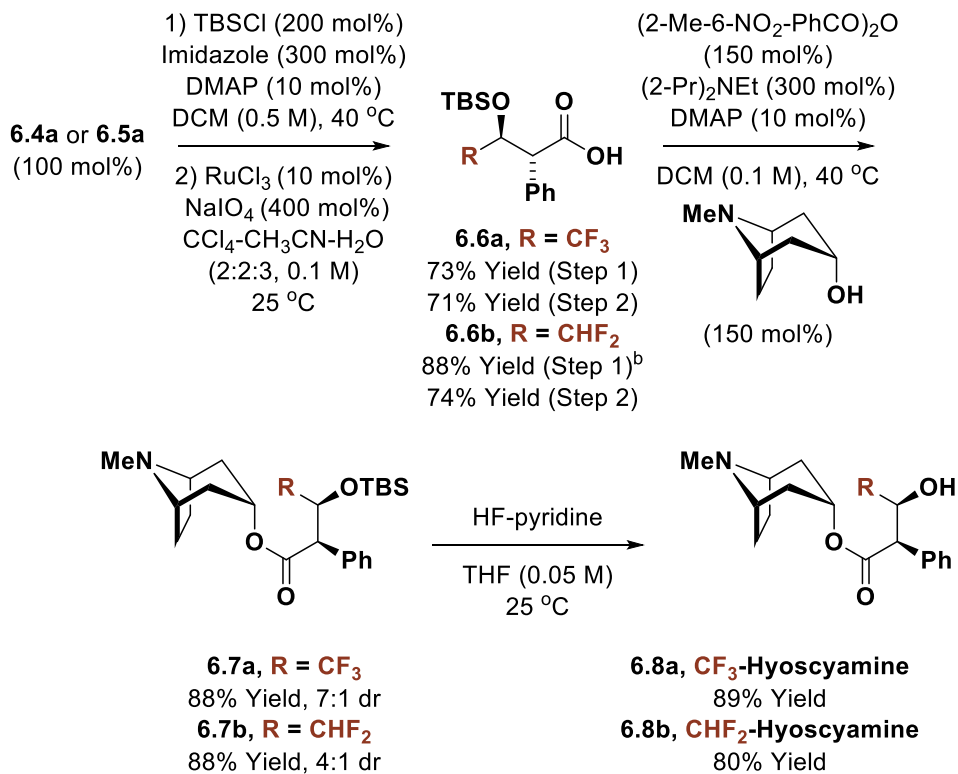
6.1j, 90 wt% in EtOH (100 mol%)	6.2a-6.2l (200 mol%)	6.5a-6.5l
2a, Ar = Ph	2b, Ar = 4-Br-Ph	2c, Ar = 4-CF ₃ -Ph
2d, Ar = 4-Me-Ph	2e, Ar = 4-MeO-Ph	2f, Ar = 2-Cl-Ph
2g, Ar = 3,5-Cl ₂ -Ph	2h, Ar = 5-Benzodioxolyl	2i, Ar = 2-Furyl
2j, Ar = 2-Thienyl	2k, Ar = 5-(2-MeO-Pyr)	2l, Ar = 4-Quinoliny

<p>6.5a, 80% Yield, >20:1 dr, 94% ee</p>	<p>6.5b, 84% Yield, >20:1 dr, 94% ee</p>	<p>6.5c, 82% Yield, >20:1 dr, 94% ee</p>	<p>6.5d, 75% Yield, >20:1 dr, 95% ee</p>
<p>6.5e, 82% Yield, >20:1 dr, 93% ee</p>	<p>6.5f, 76% Yield, >20:1 dr, 92% ee</p>	<p>6.5g, 77% Yield, >20:1 dr, 95% ee</p>	<p>6.5h, 89% Yield, >20:1 dr, 93% ee</p>
<p>6.5i, 65% Yield, >20:1 dr, 91% ee</p>	<p>6.5j, 70% Yield, >20:1 dr, 88% ee</p>	<p>6.5k, 75% Yield, >20:1 dr, 93% ee</p>	<p>6.5l, 86% Yield, >20:1 dr, 97% ee (X-Ray)</p>

diffraction analysis, and the absolute structure of other adducts were made in analogy to compound **6.5l**.

To demonstrate the utility of this transformation, it was successfully applied to synthesis of CF₃-bearing and CHF₂-bearing derivatives of *d*-hyoscyamine, which is a FDA approved alkaloid (Scheme 6.1). The TBS-protection of the free alcohol in the coupling adduct **6.4a** followed by alkene oxidative cleavage under Johnson-Lemieux conditions⁵ delivered α,β -stereogenic carboxylic acid **6.6a**, which was treated with tropine under Shiina's esterification conditions⁶ to form TBS-protected ester **6.7a** in good yield with some epimerization. Finally cleavage of silyl group with HF-pyridine provided CF₃-

Scheme 6.1 Synthesis of *d*-Hyoscyamine Derivatives **6.8a**, and **6.8b**.



hyoscyamine **6.8a**. The CHF₂-bearing derivative **6.8b** was synthesized in an analogous manner.

6.3 MECHANISM AND DISCUSSION

The correlation between enantioselectivity with carbonyl electrophilicity was quite special (Figure 6.1).⁷ In the earlier studies on enantioselective carbonyl allylation reactions, when the same chiral ligand was used, an inversion in the enantioselectivity was observed due to steric difference of the allyl donors. To be more specific, carbonyl allylation^{8a,b} and crotylation^{8c,d} have same enantiofacial preferences, while carbonyl *tert*-prenylation⁹ has an inversion in the enantiofacial selectivity when the same chiral iridium catalyst in use. These observations suggested that when the allyl donors were small, the carbonyl additions

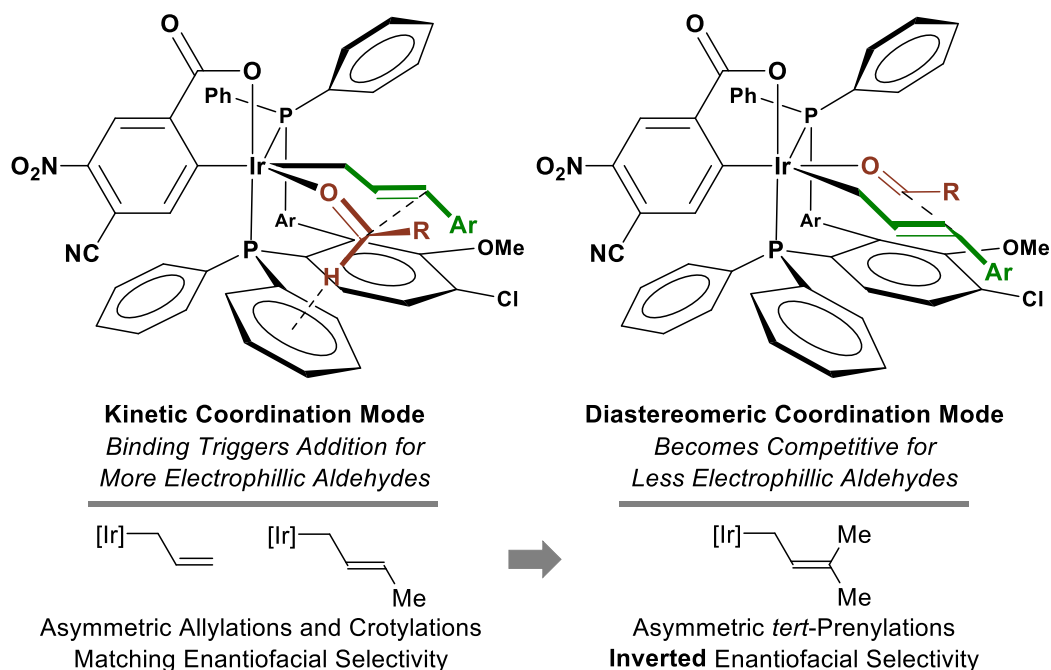


Figure 6.1 Proposed Stereochemical Model for Iridium Catalyzed Enantioselective Carbonyl *anti*-(α -aryl)allylation.

occurred via the transition structure where aldehyde approached from more open side (Figure 6.1, left), and when the allyl donor was big, the allyl group would reside on the more open side instead during the carbonyl addition (Figure 6.1, right). For the (aryl)allyl donor, which is between these two extreme coordination modes, kinetic coordination was preferred for sufficiently electrophilic aldehydes and as soon as the carbonyl coordinate to the iridium carbonyl addition would happen. However, for the less reactive aldehydes, carbonyl addition could proceed through either coordination mode, which caused the erosion in the enantioselectivity.

6.4 CONCLUSION

In summary, iridium catalyzed 2-propanol mediated enantioselective *anti*-(α -aryl)allylation of fluoral hydrate and difluoroacetaldehyde ethyl hemiacetal by coupling with various branched aryl-substituted allylic acetates. Two different coordination modes were proposed and rationalized the correlation between enantioselectivity with carbonyl electrophilicity in carbonyl allylation reactions. Also, two derivatives of *d*-hyoscyamine with CF₃ and CHF₂ group were synthesized from the coupling adducts **6.4a** and **6.5a**, respectively, to demonstrate the utility of this method.

6.5 EXPERIMENTAL DETAILS

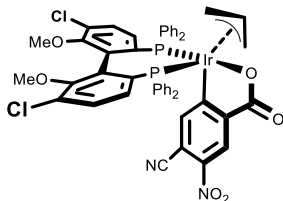
General Information

All reactions were run under an atmosphere of argon, unless otherwise indicated. Resealable pressure tubes (13x100 mm) were purchased from Fischer Scientific (catalog number 14-959-35C) and were flame dried followed by cooling in a desiccator or under a stream of argon prior to use. Tetrahydrofuran (THF) was dried over sodium metal, benzophenone, and distilled immediately prior to use. $\text{RuH}_2(\text{PPh}_3)_3$ were prepared according to literature procedure.¹ All ligands were used as received from Strem Chemicals Inc. Alcohols were purified by distillation or recrystallization immediately prior to use. Preparative column chromatography employing Silicycle silica gel (40-63 μm) was performed according to the method of Still.² Analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was carried out using 0.25 mm commercial silica gel plates (Dynamic Absorbents F254). Visualization was accomplished with UV light followed by dipping in Seebach's stain solution then heating. Purification of reactions was carried out by flash chromatography using Silicycle silica gel (40-63 μm). Fluoral hydrate (75% in water) was purchased through Oakwood Chemical, difluoroacetaldehyde ethyl hemiacetal (90% in ethanol) through AstaTech, and potassium carbonate through Fisher Chemicals and used without further purification. Allylic acetates $2a^1$ $2b-2c$,² $2d$,³ $2e$,⁴ $2f-2l$ ² were prepared according to previous literature.

Spectroscopy, Spectrometry, and Data Collection

Infrared spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 1600 spectrometer. Low-resolution mass spectra (LRMS) were obtained on a Karatos MS9 and are reported as m/z (relative intensity). Accurate masses are reported for the molecular ion ($M+H$, $M+Na$), or a suitable fragment ion. Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (1H NMR) spectra were recorded with a Varian Gemini (400 MHz) spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported in delta (δ) units, parts per million (ppm) downfield from tetramethylsilane or ppm relative to the center of the singlet at 7.26 ppm for deuteriochloroform. Data reported as multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet). Integration and coupling constants were reported in Hertz (Hz). Carbon-13 nuclear magnetic resonance (^{13}C NMR) spectra were recorded with a Varian Gemini (100 MHz) spectrometer and were routinely run with broadband decoupling. Chemical shifts are reported in delta (δ) units, ppm relative to the center of the triplet at 77.16 ppm for deuteriochloroform.

Detailed Procedure for Preparation of Preformed Iridium Catalyst



To a sealed tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar was added Cs₂CO₃ (501.8 mg, 1.54 mmol, 200 mol%), 4-cyano-3-nitrobenzoic acid (296.8 mg, 1.54 mmol, 200 mol%), (*S*)-Cl,MeO-BIPHEP (503.0 mg, 0.772 mmol, 100 mol%) and [Ir(cod)Cl]₂ (259.3 mg, 0.386 mmol, 50 mol%). The reaction vessel was purged with argon and THF (7.7 mL, 0.1 M) was added followed by allyl acetate (0.208 mL, 1.93 mmol, 250 mol%). The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 30 min, and for another 90 min at 80 °C. After cooling to ambient temperature, the mixture was filtered through a celite plug with the aid of DCM (45 mL). The combined filtrate was concentrated *in vacuo* and subjected to flash column chromatography (DCM:THF = 10:1). The resulting gum-like residue was dissolved in THF (2.0 mL). Addition of HPLC grade hexanes (20 mL) led to formation of a precipitate. The product was filtered and washed with HPLC grade hexanes, followed by removal of trace amount of solvent *in vacuo*, to provide a light yellow powder (620.0 mg, 0.577 mmol) in 75% yield as a mixture of stereoisomers.

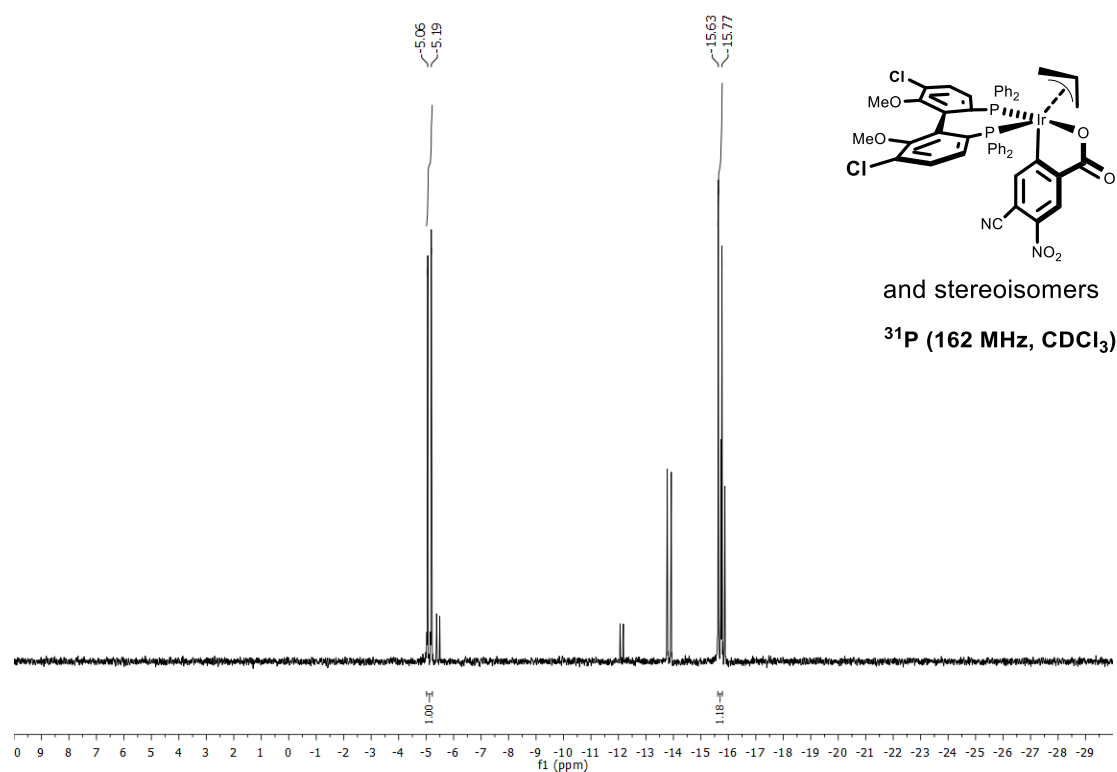
Spectral data is reported for the major isomer:

³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -5.12 (d, *J* = 21.3 Hz), -15.70 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) Calculated for C₄₉H₃₇Cl₂IrN₂O₆P₂ [M+H]⁺ = 1075.1195, Found 1075.1197.

[α]_D²⁸ : -4.0 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)

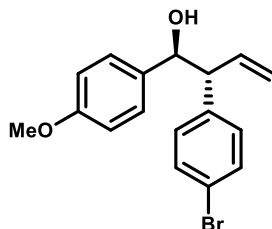
MP: 231-236 °C (decomposition)



General Procedure for Iridium Catalyzed Aryl Allylation of Aromatic Aldehydes

A pressure tube was equipped with a magnetic stir bar and charged with preformed iridium catalyst (10.7 mg, 10 μmol , 5 mol%), aldehyde (0.20 mmol, 100 mol%), K_2CO_3 (27.6 mg, 0.20 mmol, 100 mol%), 1-(4-bromophenyl)allyl acetate (0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). The pressure tube was purged with argon. Anhydrous THF (1.0 mL, 0.2 M) and 2-propanol (31 μL , 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%) were added via syringe. The sealed reaction vessel was stirred at 100 $^\circ\text{C}$. After 24 h the solvent was removed *in vacuo* and the residue was subjected to flash column chromatography on silica.

(1S,2R)-2-(4-bromophenyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)but-3-en-1-ol (6.3b)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using 4-methoxybenzaldehyde (27.2 mg, 200 μ mol) and 1-(4-bromophenyl)allyl acetate (102 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 6:1 \rightarrow 3:1) provided the title compound (35.6 mg, 107 μ mol, *anti:syn* = 9:1) in 54% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.37 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.34 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.08 – 7.01 (m, 2H), 6.94 – 6.88 (m, 2H), 6.78 – 6.72 (m, 2H), 6.19 (ddd, J = 17.0, 10.2, 8.7 Hz, 1H), 5.28 (d, J = 10.1 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (dt, J = 17.2, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.76 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.51 (t, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 2.22 (s, 1H).

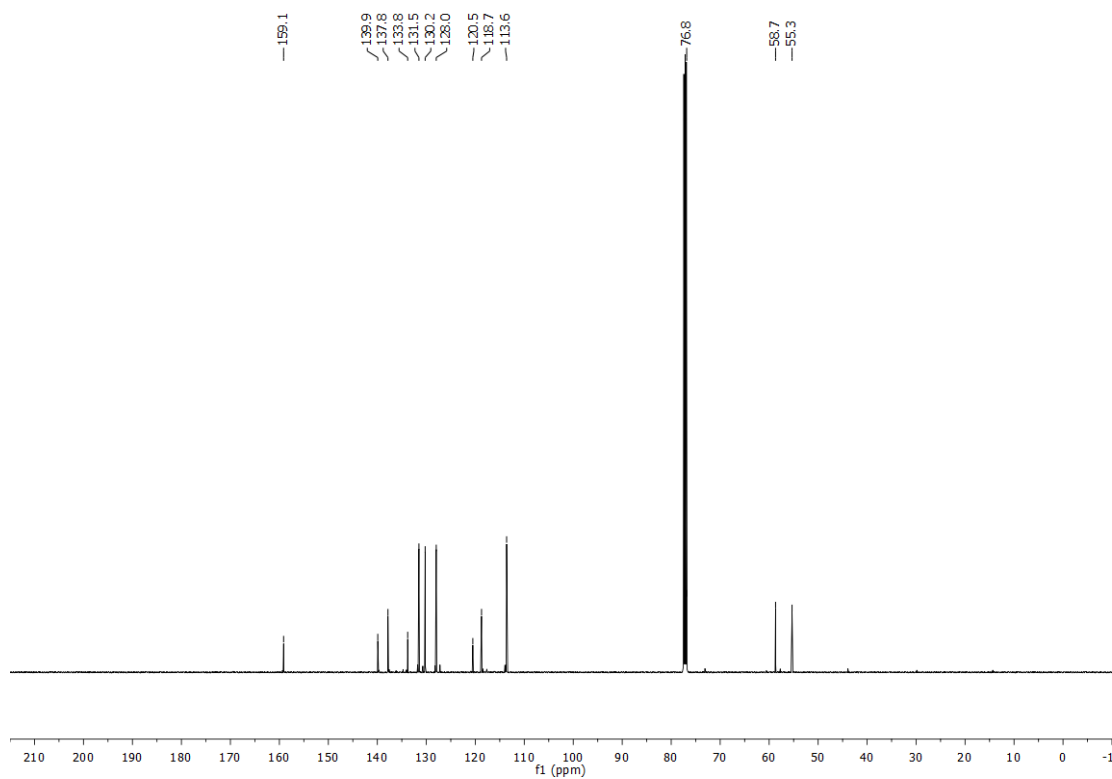
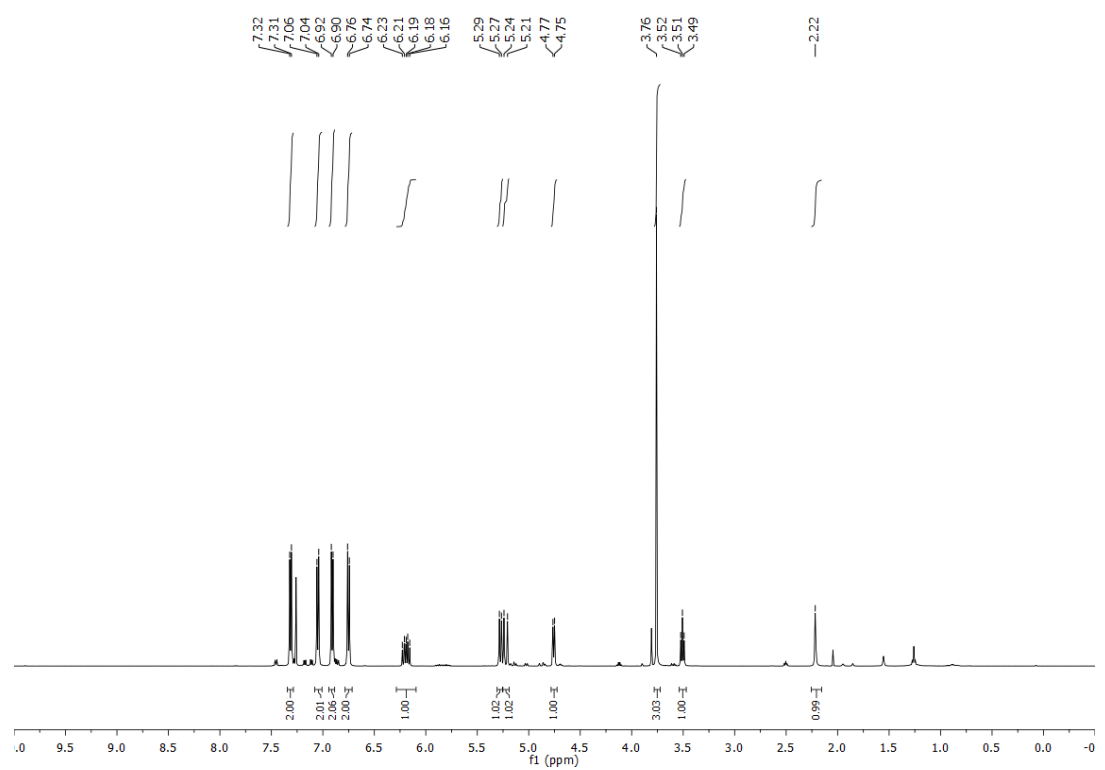
¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 159.1, 139.9, 137.8, 133.8, 131.5, 130.2, 128.0, 120.5, 118.7, 113.6, 76.8, 58.7, 55.3.

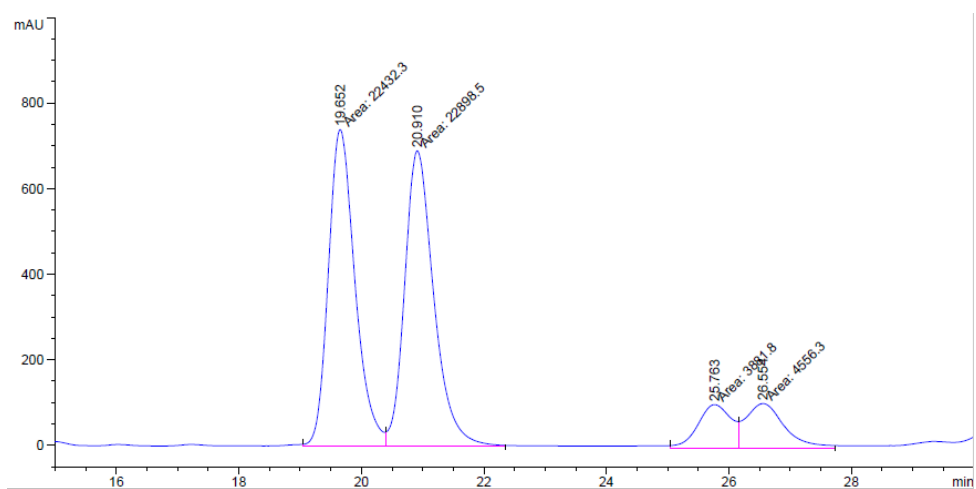
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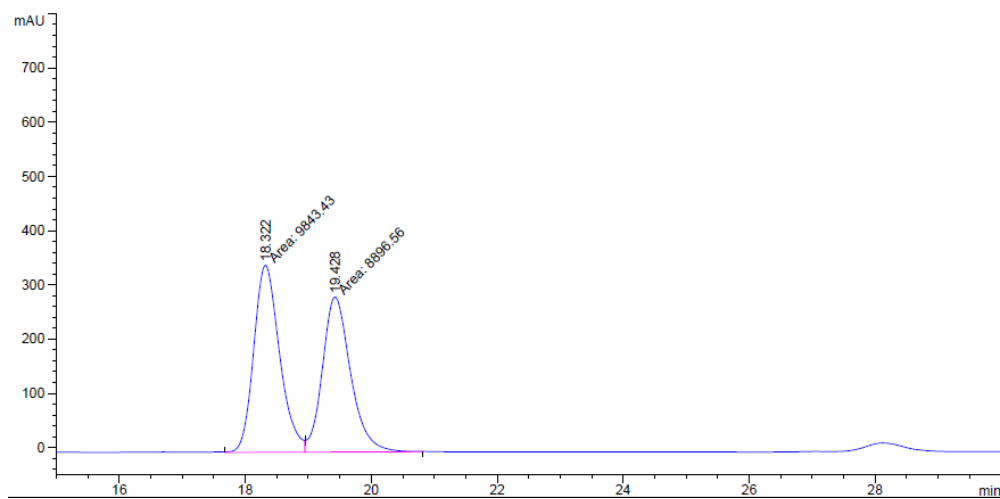
[α]_D³⁴ : -9.0 (c = 1.0, CHCl₃)

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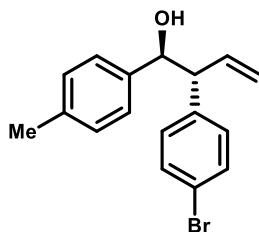


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3	25.763	MF	0.6353	3881.79907	101.82919	7.2194
4	26.554	FM	0.7277	4556.29834	104.34978	8.4739



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(1S,2R)-2-(4-bromophenyl)-1-(p-tolyl)but-3-en-1-ol (6.3c)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using 4-methylbenzaldehyde (24.1 mg, 201 μ mol) and 1-(4-bromophenyl)allyl acetate (102 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 10:1 \rightarrow 5:1) provided the title compound (43.7 mg, 138 μ mol, *anti:syn* = 4:1) in 69% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.43 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.36 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.03 (s, 4H), 6.97 – 6.90 (m, 2H), 6.19 (ddd, J = 17.1, 10.3, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 5.27 (dd, J = 10.3, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.20 (dt, J = 17.1, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.53 (t, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 2.25 (s, 1H).

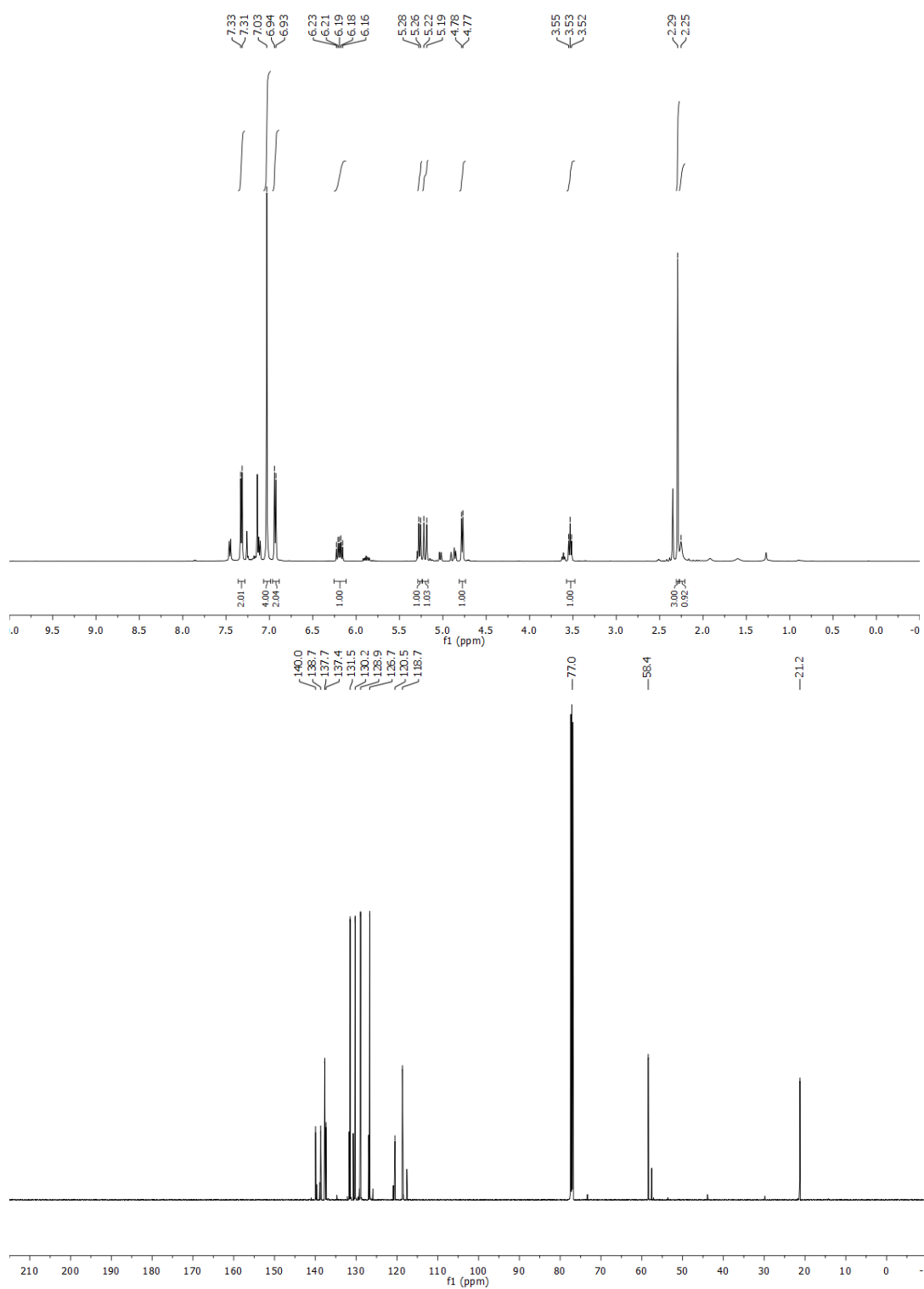
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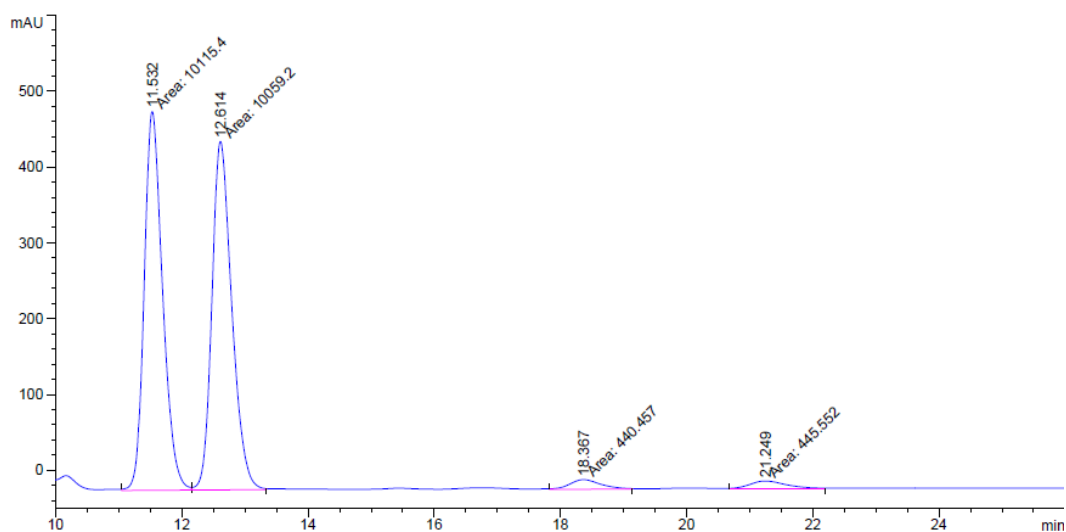
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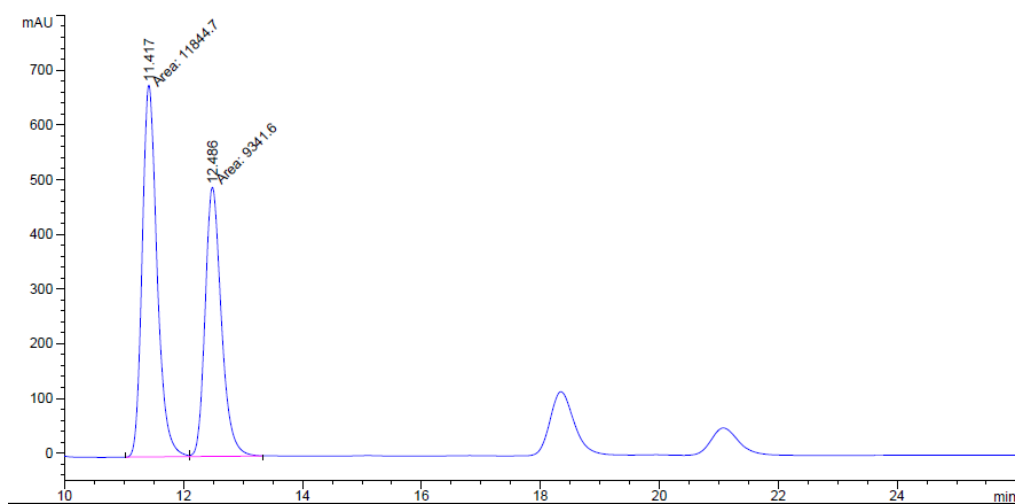
$[\alpha]_D^{32}$: -6.3 (c = 1.0, CHCl₃)

HPLC: (Chiralcel AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm), *ee* = 12%.



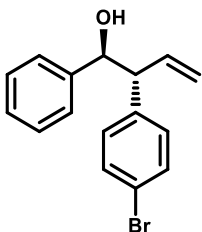


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4	21.249	MM	0.7047	445.55240	10.53725	2.1156



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(1*S*,2*R*)-2-(4-Bromophenyl)-1-phenylbut-3-en-1-ol (6.3d)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using benzaldehyde (22.1 mg, 208 μ mol) and 1-(4-bromophenyl)allyl acetate (102 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 6:1) provided the title compound (46.6 mg, 154 μ mol, *anti:syn* = 4:1) in 74% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.36 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 4:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.34–7.30 (m, 2H), 7.27–7.19 (m, 3H), 7.16–7.12 (m, 2H), 6.95–6.90 (m, 2H), 6.20 (ddd, J = 17.1, 10.3, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 5.28 (dd, J = 10.3, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (d, J = 17.1 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 3.53 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.29 (s, 1H).

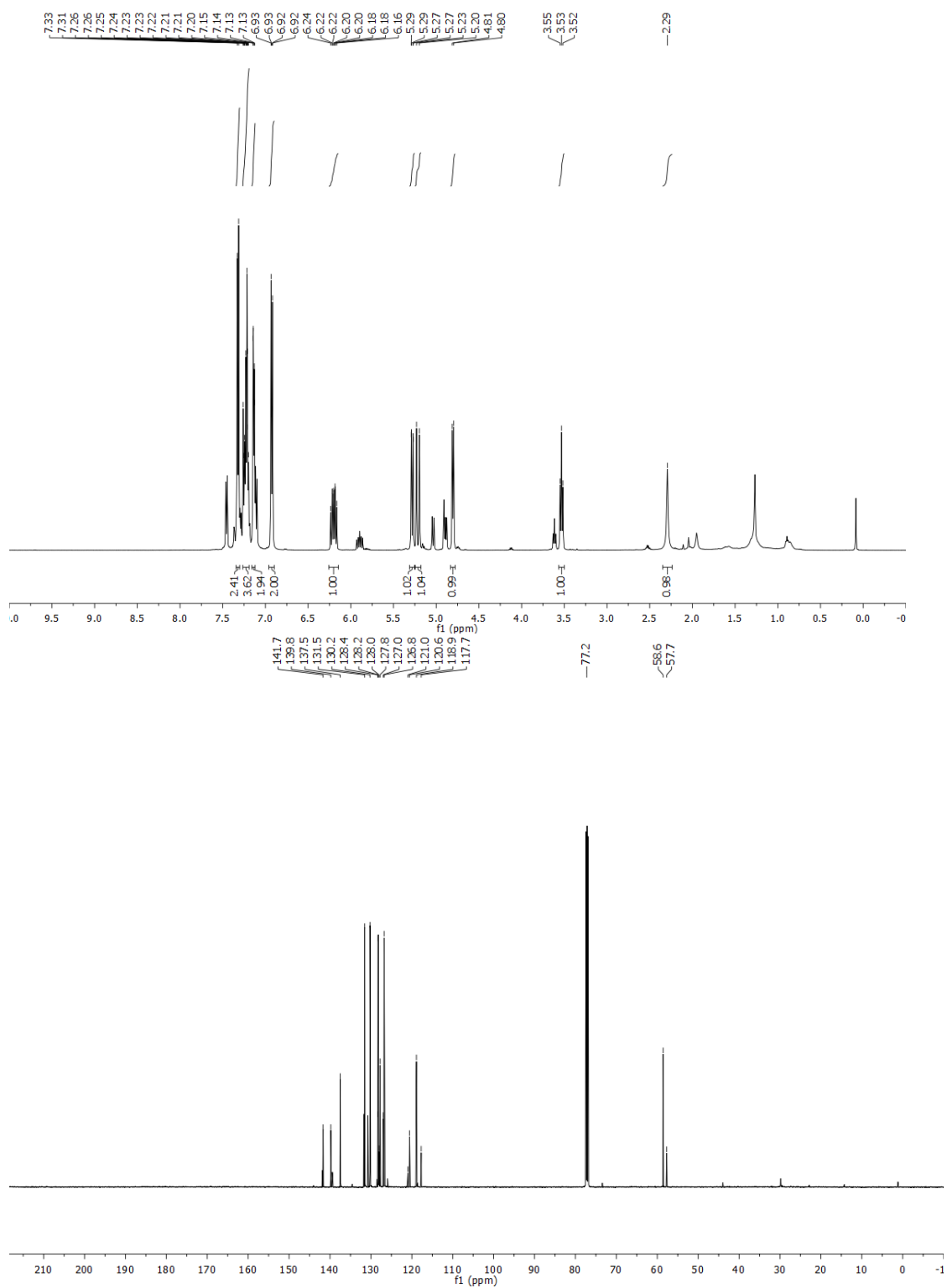
¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 141.7, 139.8, 137.5, 131.5, 130.2, 128.2, 127.8, 126.8, 120.6, 118.9, 77.2, 58.6.

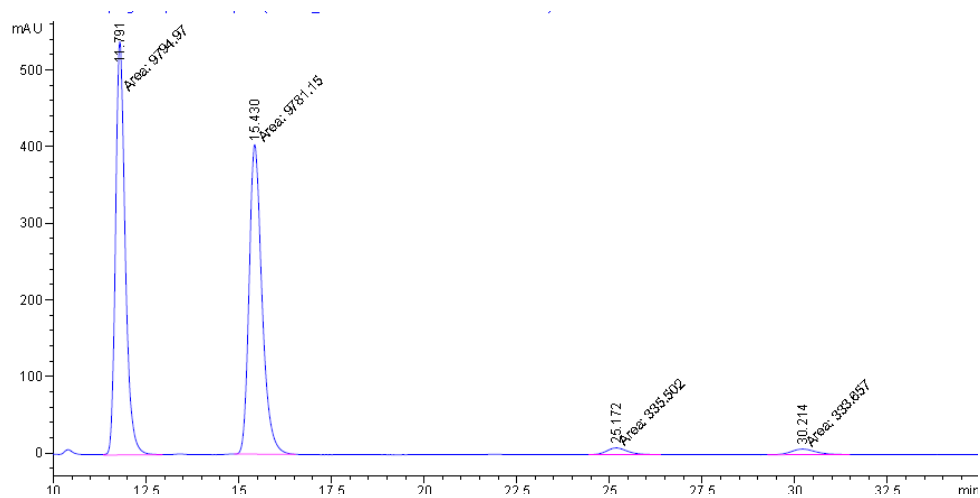
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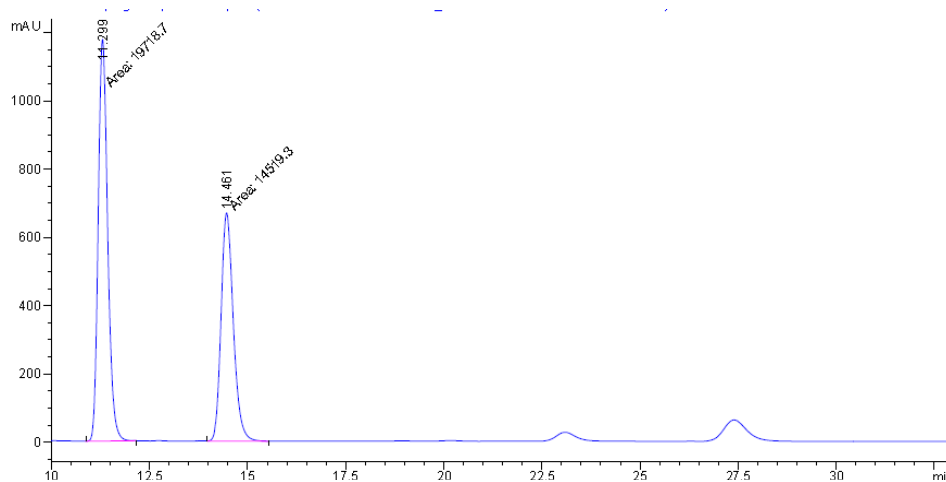
[α]_D³⁴ : –3.8 (c = 1.0, CHCl₃)

HPLC: (Chiralcel AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm), *ee* = 15%.



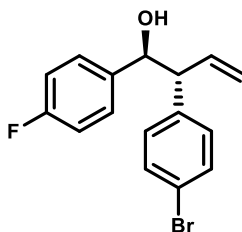


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3	25.172	MM	0.6432	335.50162	8.69356	1.6572
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(1S,2R)-2-(4-bromophenyl)-1-(4-fluorophenyl)but-3-en-1-ol (6.3e)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using 4-fluorobenzaldehyde (24.8 mg, 200 μ mol) and 1-(4-bromophenyl)allyl acetate (102 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 8:1 \rightarrow 5:1) provided the title compound (56.5 mg, 176 μ mol, *anti:syn* = 3:1) in 88% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.37 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.37 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.12 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 6.94 – 6.87 (m, 4H), 6.18 (ddd, J = 17.0, 10.2, 8.8 Hz, 1H), 5.29 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 5.23 (dt, J = 17.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.76 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 3.46 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.37 (s, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 162.2 (d, J = 245.7 Hz), 139.5, 137.4 (d, J = 3.1 Hz), 137.3, 131.6, 130.1, 128.4 (d, J = 8.1 Hz), 120.7, 119.1, 115.0 (d, J = 21.4 Hz), 76.6, 58.9.

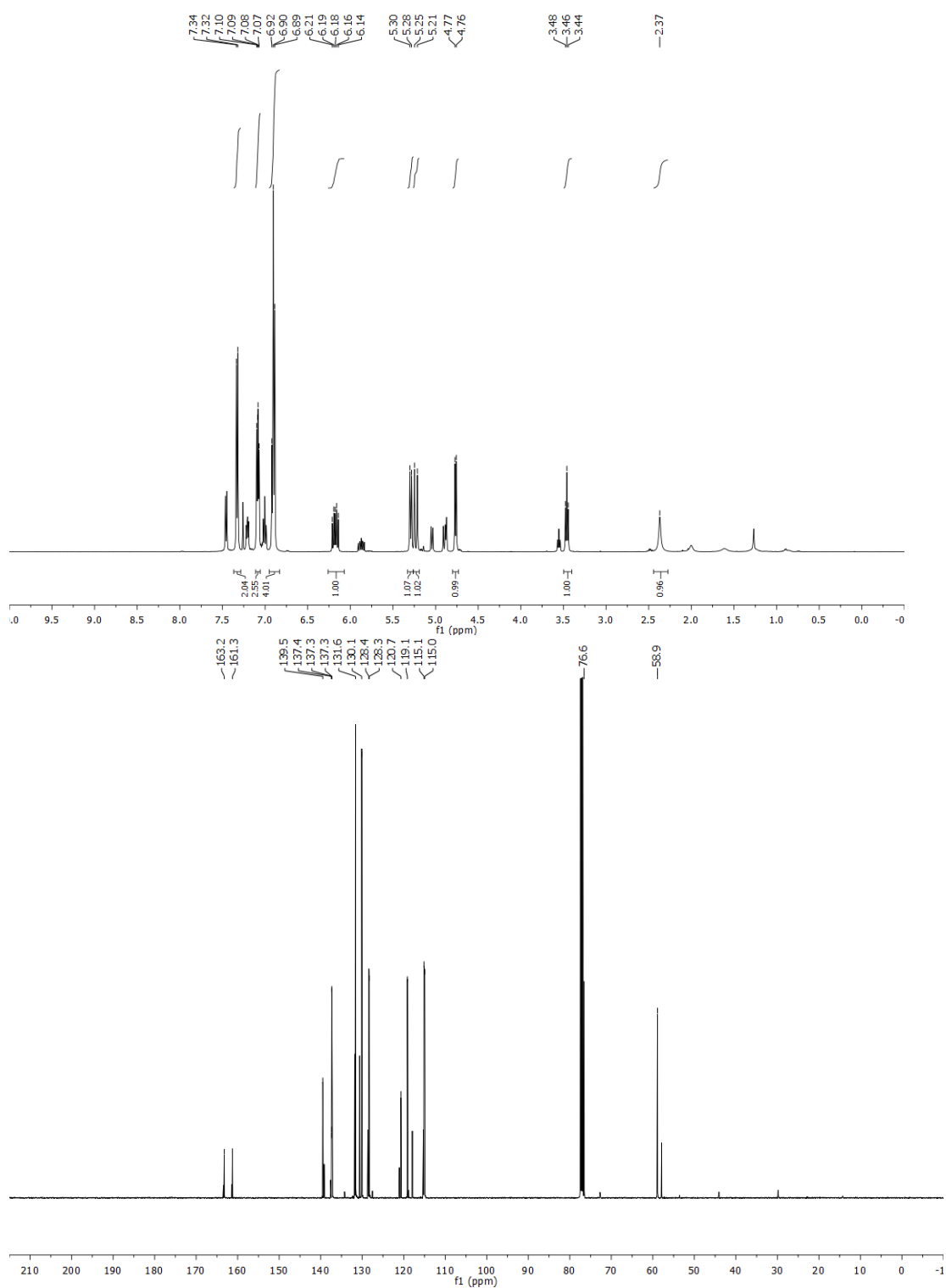
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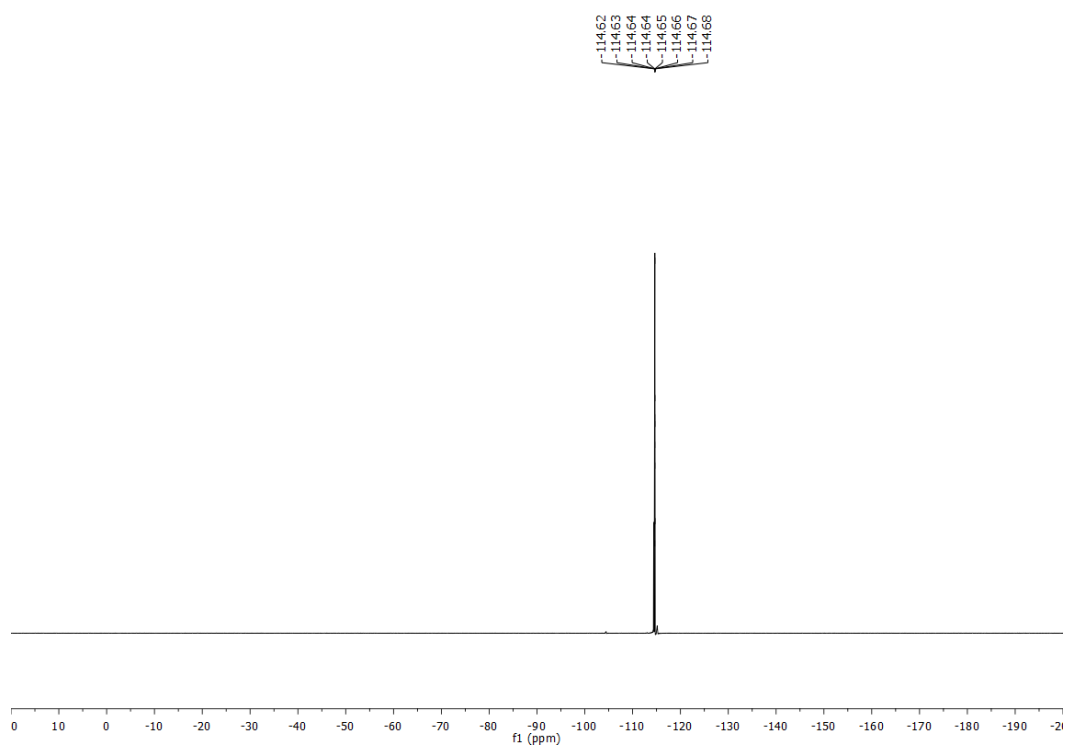
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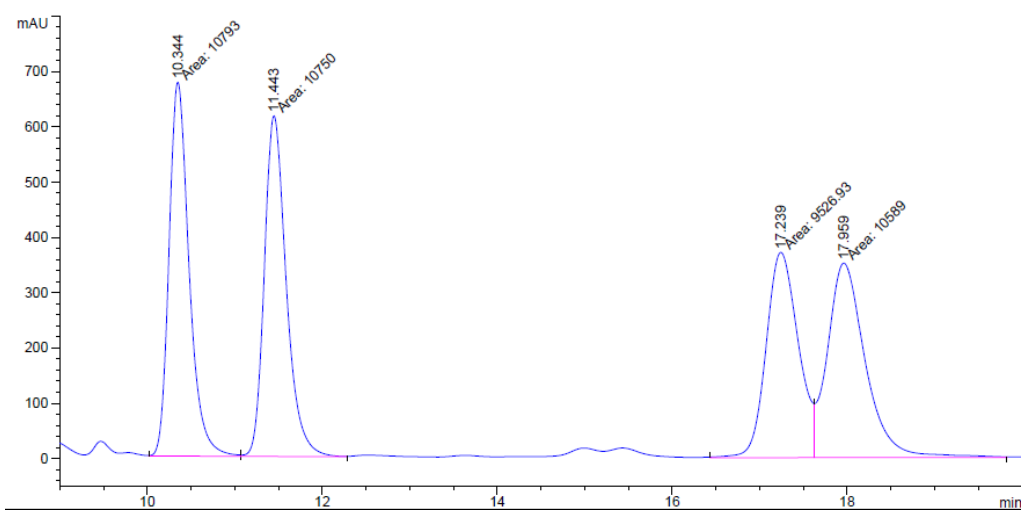
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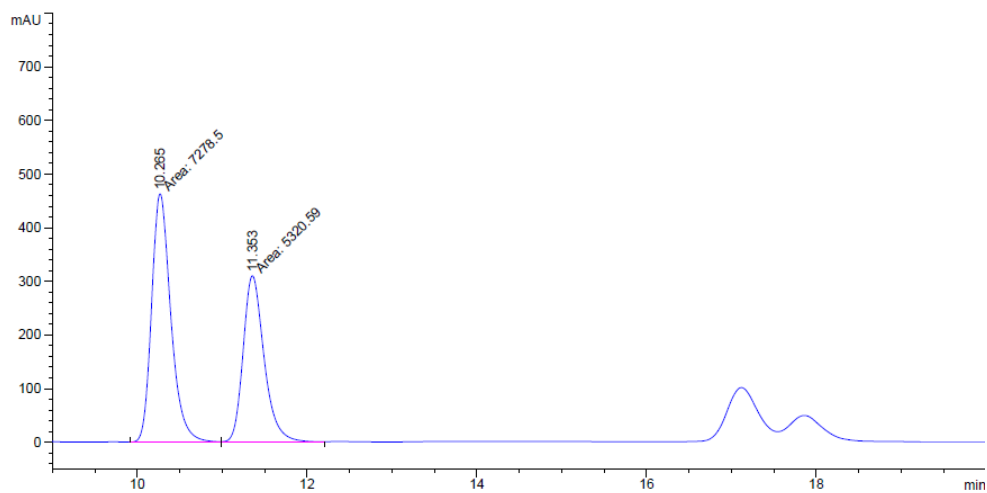
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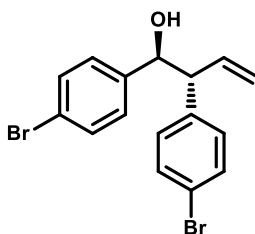


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3	17.239	MF	0.4276	9526.93359	371.34500	22.8689
4	17.959	FM	0.5016	1.05890e4	351.85855	25.4183



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2	11.353	FM	0.2861	5320.58691	309.96762	42.2299

(1*S*,2*R*)-1,2-Bis(4-bromophenyl)but-3-en-1-ol (6.3f)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using 4-bromobenzaldehyde (37.1 mg, 201 μ mol) and 1-(4-bromophenyl)allyl acetate (102 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 6:1) provided the title compound (67.5 mg, 177 μ mol, *anti:syn* = 4:1) in 88% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.28 + 0.22 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 4:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.37–7.31 (m, 4H), 7.02–6.96 (m, 2H), 6.94–6.88 (m, 2H), 6.16 (dt, J = 17.1, 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.29 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (d, J = 17.1 Hz, 1H), 4.74 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.45 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (s, 1H).

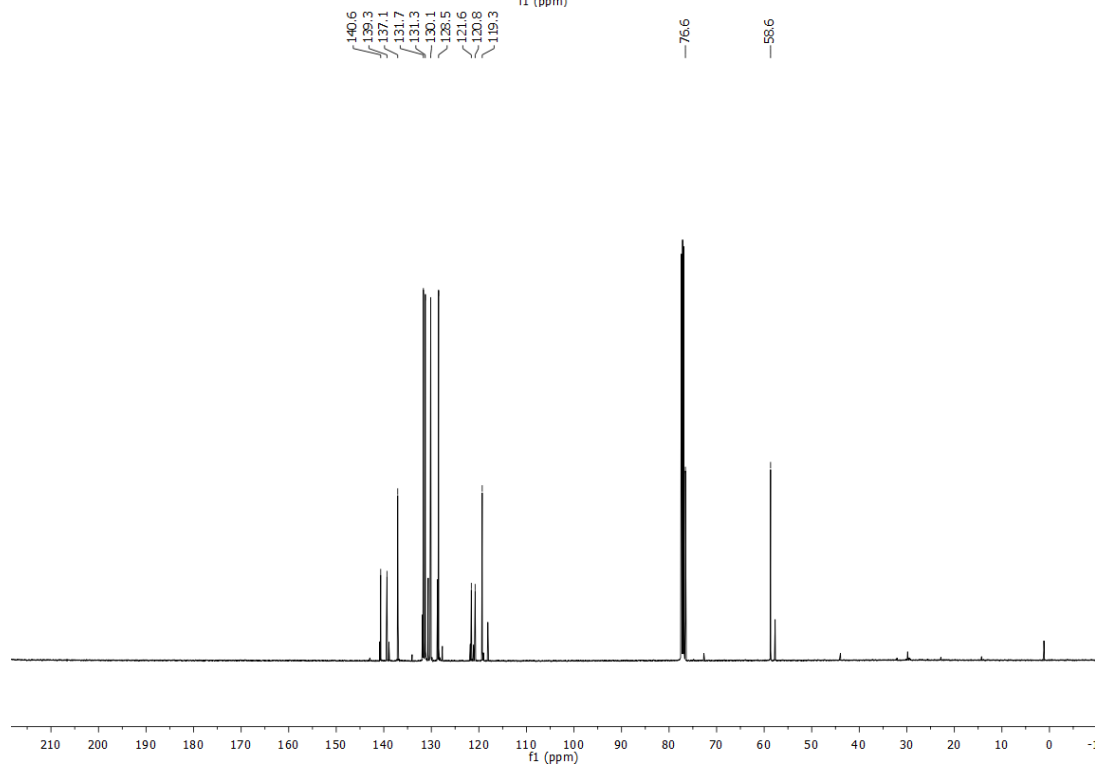
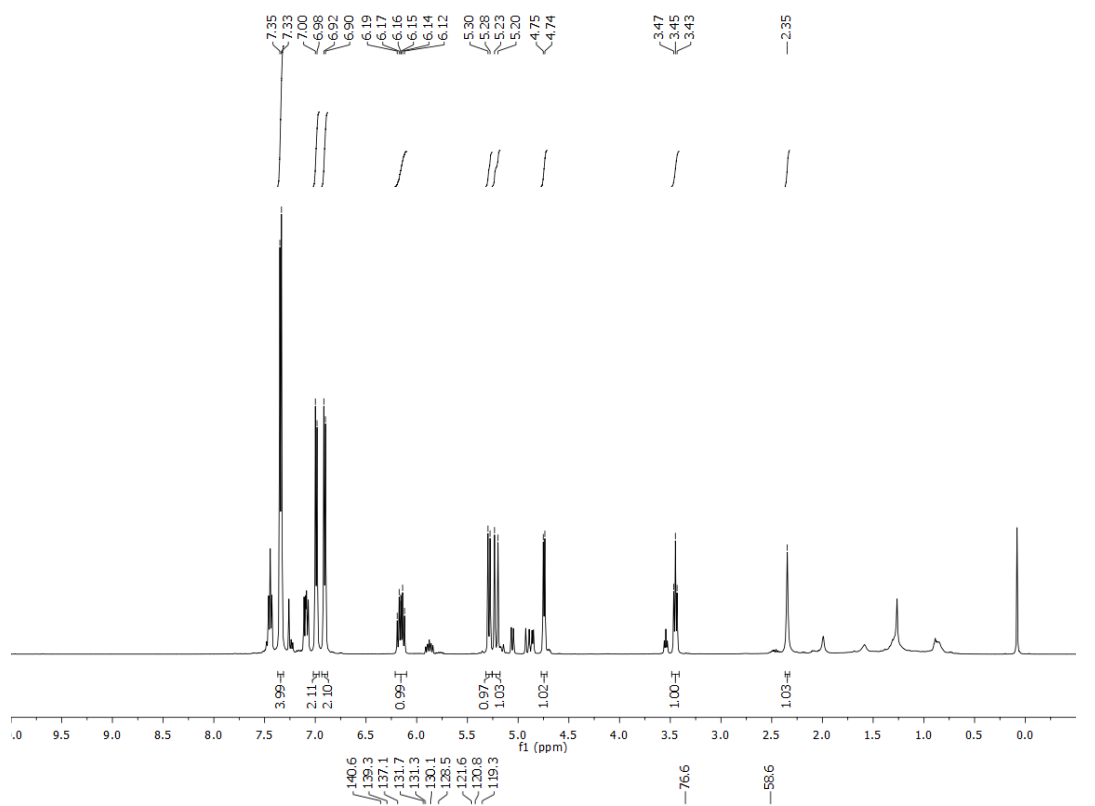
¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 140.6, 139.3, 137.1, 131.7, 131.3, 130.1, 128.5, 121.6, 120.8, 119.3, 76.6, 58.6.

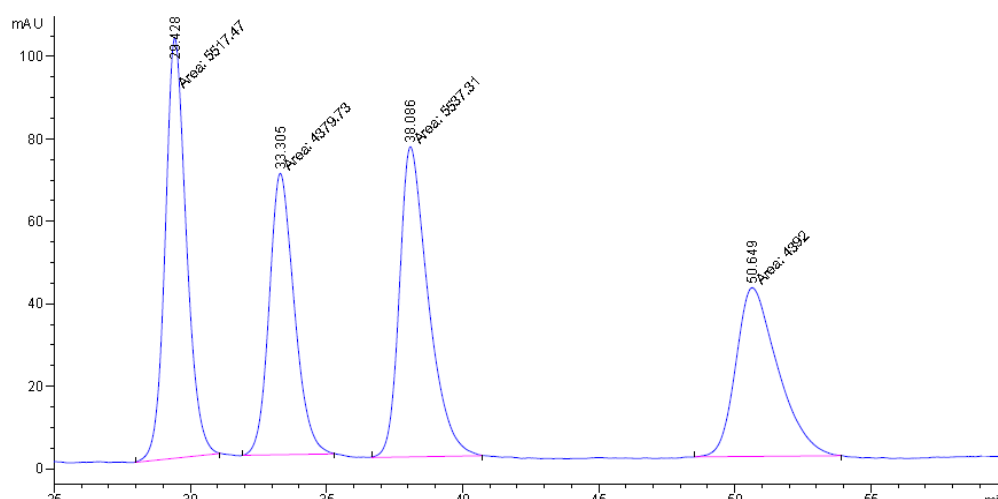
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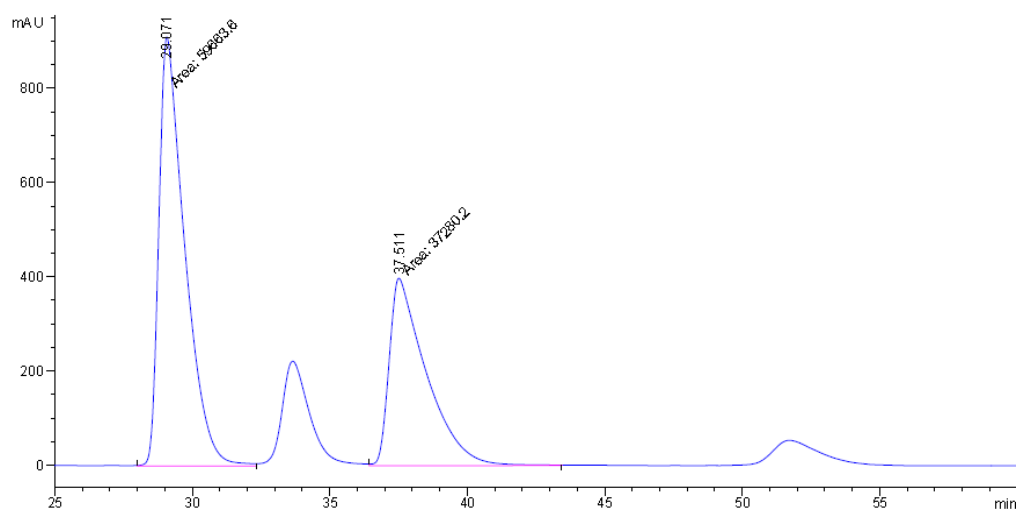
$[\alpha]_D^{34}$: +6.0 (c = 1.0, CHCl₃)

HPLC: (Chiralcel OJ-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 92:8, 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm), *ee* = 23%.



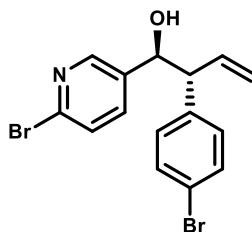


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3	38.086	MM	1.2271	5537.31055	75.21107	27.9288
4	50.649	MM	1.7890	4391.99707	40.91771	22.1522



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1	29.071	MF	1.0923	5.96636e4	910.36182	61.5445
2	37.511	FM	1.5622	3.72802e4	397.73111	38.4555

(1S,2R)-2-(4-bromophenyl)-1-(6-bromopyridin-3-yl)but-3-en-1-ol (6.3g)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using 6-bromopyridine-3-carbaldehyde (37.1 mg, 199 μ mol) and 1-(4-bromophenyl)allyl acetate (102 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 4:1) provided the title compound (62.5 mg, 163 μ mol, *anti:syn* 5:1) in 82% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.21 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.05 (s, 1H), 7.39 – 7.31 (m, 4H), 6.95 – 6.90 (m, 2H), 6.14 (ddd, J = 17.0, 10.3, 8.9 Hz, 1H), 5.32 (dd, J = 10.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.24 (dt, J = 17.0, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 4.81 (dd, J = 7.8, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 3.43 (t, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 2.60 (s, 1H).

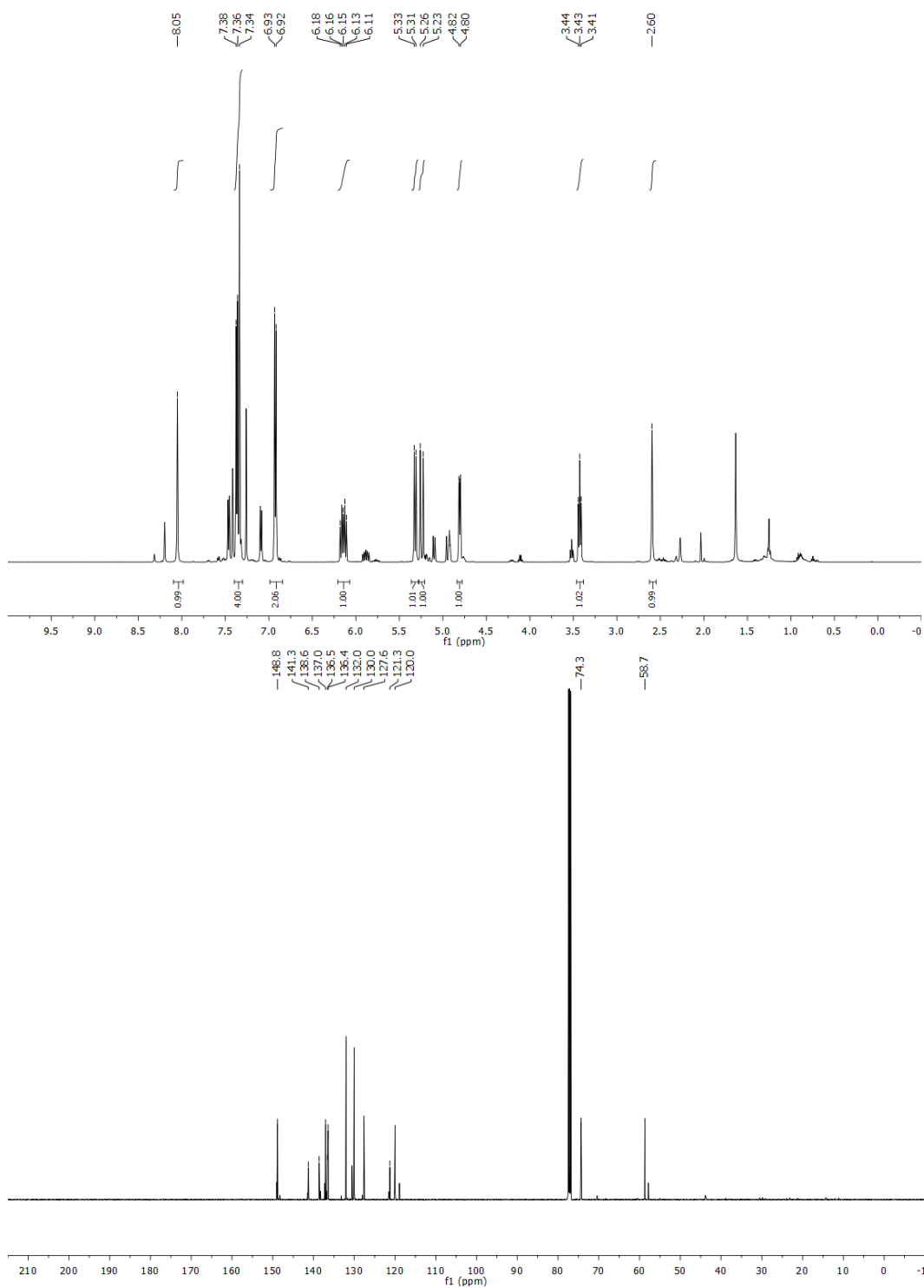
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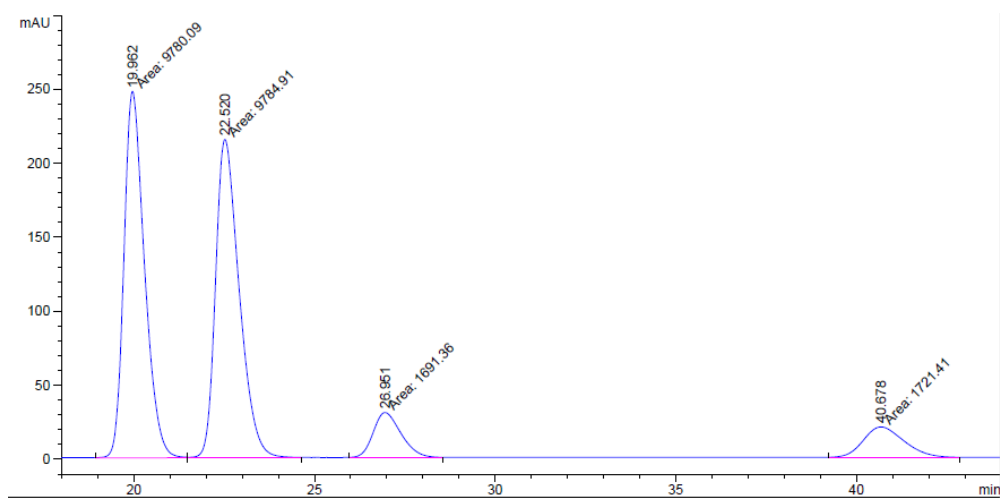
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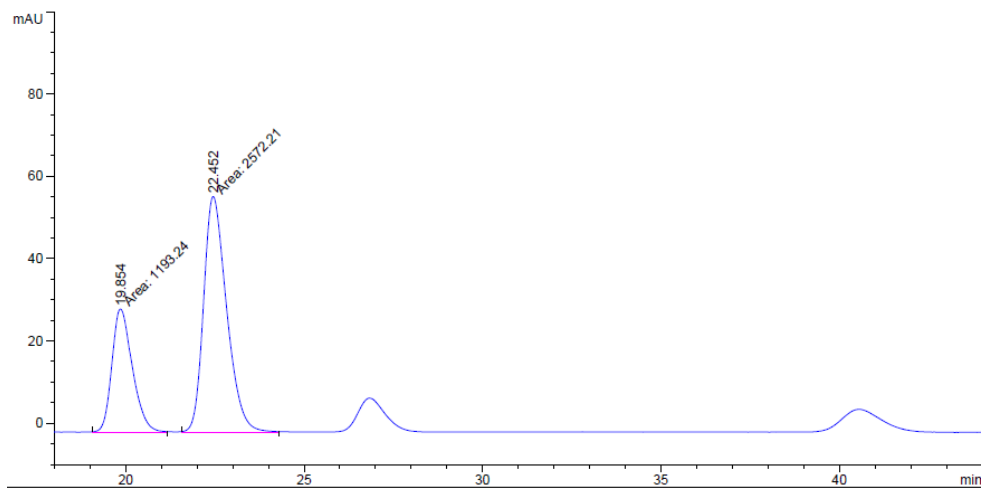
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HPLC: (Chiralcel AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm), *ee* = 37%.



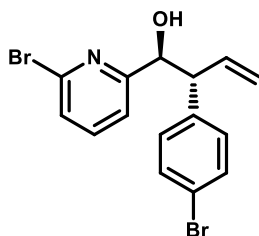


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3	26.951	MM	0.9147	1691.35913	30.81730	7.3608
4	40.678	MM	1.3607	1721.40955	21.08541	7.4916



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2	22.452	MM	0.7487	2572.21289	57.25787	68.3109

(1*S*,2*R*)-2-(4-Bromophenyl)-1-(6-bromopyridin-2-yl)but-3-en-1-ol (6.3h)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using 6-bromopyridine-2-carbaldehyde (37.2 mg, 200 μ mol) and 1-(4-bromophenyl)allyl acetate (102 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 6:1) provided the title compound (57.8 mg, 151 μ mol, *anti:syn* 4:1) in 75% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.25 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 4:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.41–7.37 (m, 3H), 7.33 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.14 (ddd, J = 17.2, 10.5, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (d, J = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (d, J = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 4.88 (t, J = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.45 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H).

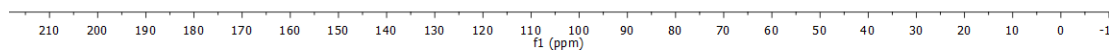
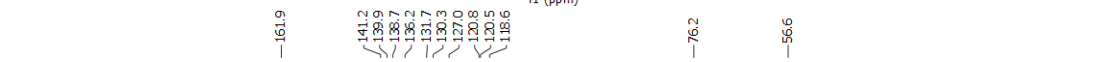
¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 161.9, 141.2, 139.9, 138.7, 136.2, 131.7, 130.3, 127.0, 120.8, 120.5, 118.6, 76.2, 56.6.

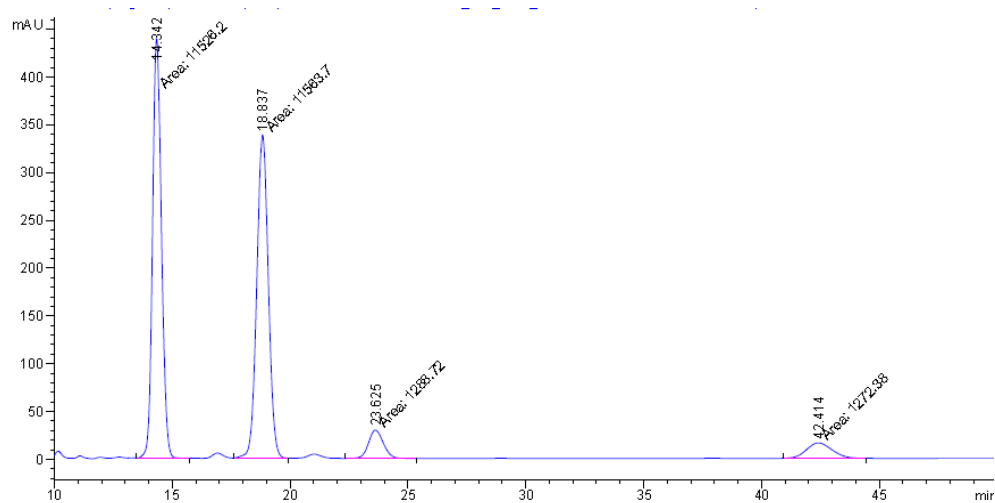
HRMS (APPI) Calculated for C₁₅H₁₄⁷⁹Br₂NO [M+H]⁺ = 381.9437, Found 381.9447.

FTIR (neat) 3411, 2923, 1582, 1556, 1488, 1437, 1406, 1125, 1072, 1011 cm⁻¹.

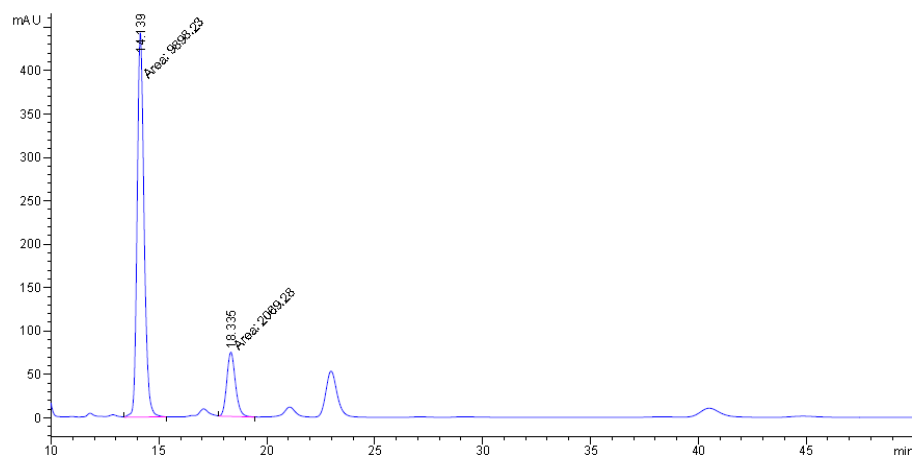
[α]_D³³ : -71.5 (c = 1.0, CHCl₃)

HPLC: (Chiralcel AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm), *ee* = 65%.





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2	18.837	MM	0.5693	1.15637e4	338.50641	45.0808
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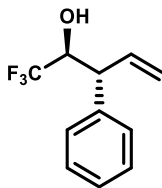


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2	18.335	MM	0.4658	2069.27808	74.04234	17.2908

General Procedure and Spectral Data for Iridium Catalyzed *anti*-(α -Aryl)Allylation of Fluoral Hydrate 1i to form Products 6.4a-6.4l

A pressure tube was equipped with a magnetic stir bar and charged with preformed iridium catalyst (10.7 mg, 10 μ mol, 5 mol%), K₂CO₃ (27.6 mg, 0.20 mmol, 100 mol%), allyl donor (0.40 mmol, 200 mol%) and 4A molecular sieves (90 mg, 300 wt%). The pressure tube was purged with argon. Anhydrous THF (1.0 mL, 0.2 M), 2-propanol (31 μ L, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%), and fluoral hydrate (75% in H₂O, 22 μ L, 0.20 mmol, 100 mol%) were added via syringe. The sealed reaction vessel was stirred at 100 °C. After 24 h the solvent was removed *in vacuo* and the residue was subjected to flash column chromatography on silica.

(2S,3R)-1,1,1-trifluoro-3-phenylpent-4-en-2-ol (6.4a)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using fluoral hydrate (75% in H₂O, 22 μ L, 200 μ mol) and 1-phenylallyl acetate (71 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 20:1 \rightarrow 8:1) provided the title compound (36.7 mg, 170 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 85% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.60 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.35 – 7.17 (m, 5H), 6.15 (ddd, *J* = 17.0, 10.1, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 5.27 (dt, *J* = 10.2, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 5.15 (dt, *J* = 17.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (h, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 139.8, 135.0, 128.9, 128.2, 127.4, 124.8 (d, *J* = 283.2 Hz), 119.9, 73.1 (q, *J* = 29.5 Hz), 50.2.

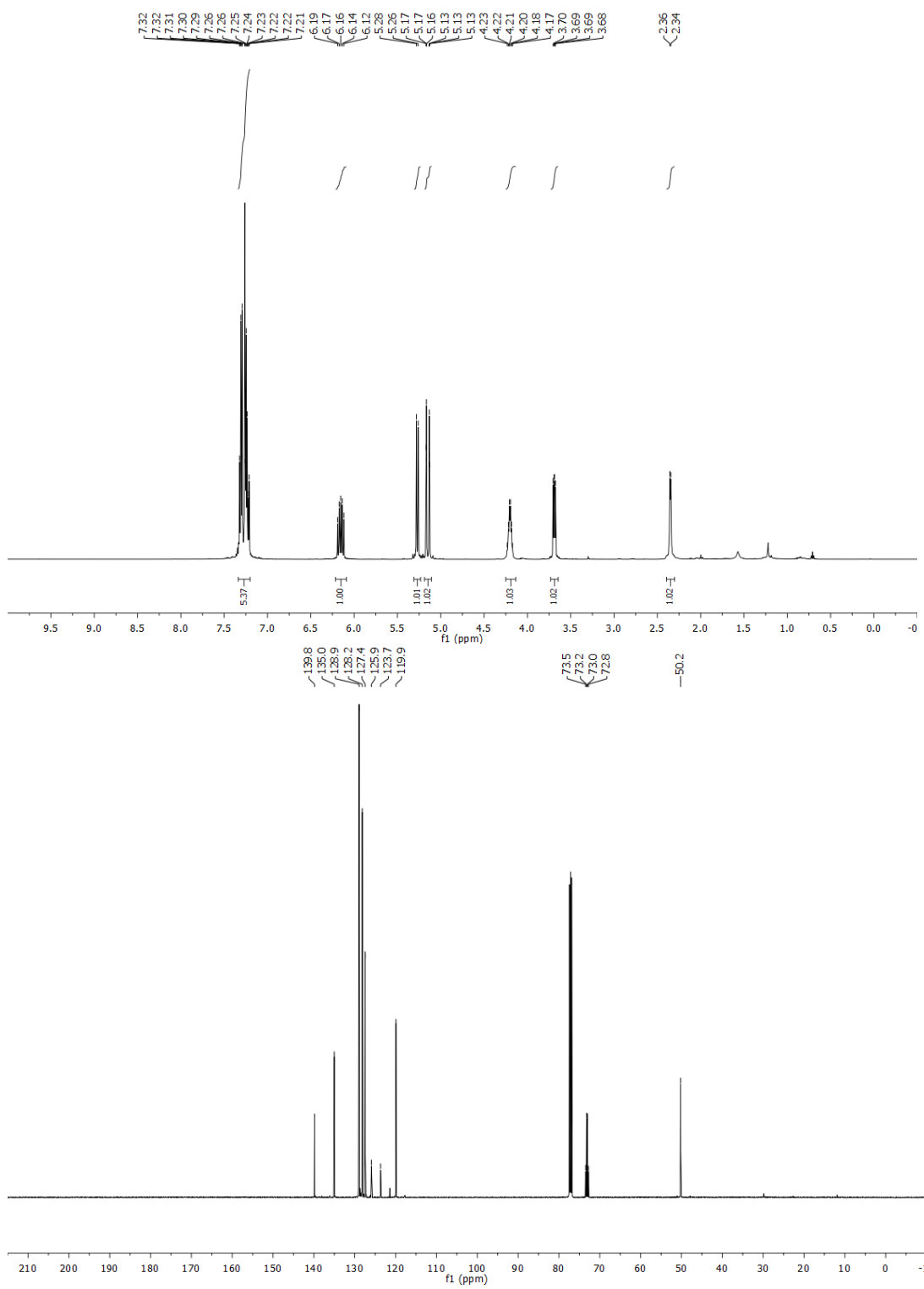
¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = –76.0 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz).

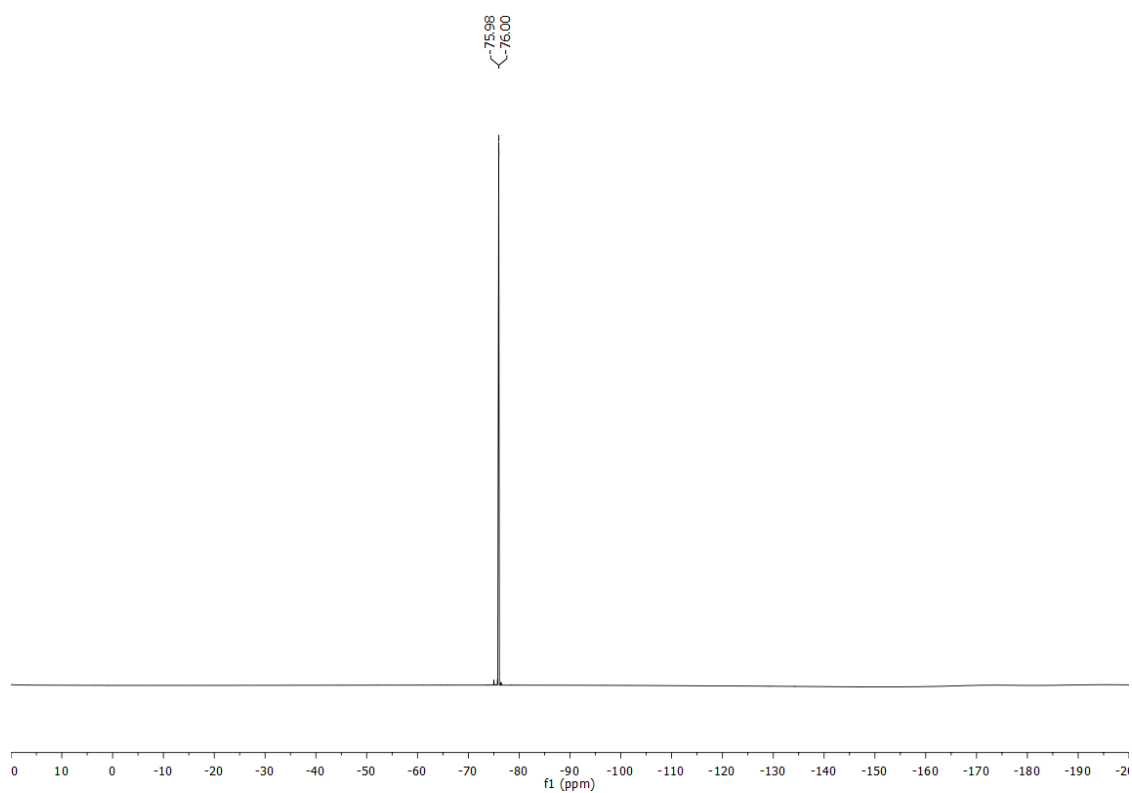
HRMS (CI) Calculated for C₁₁H₁₁F₃O [M]⁺ = 216.0762, Found 216.0766.

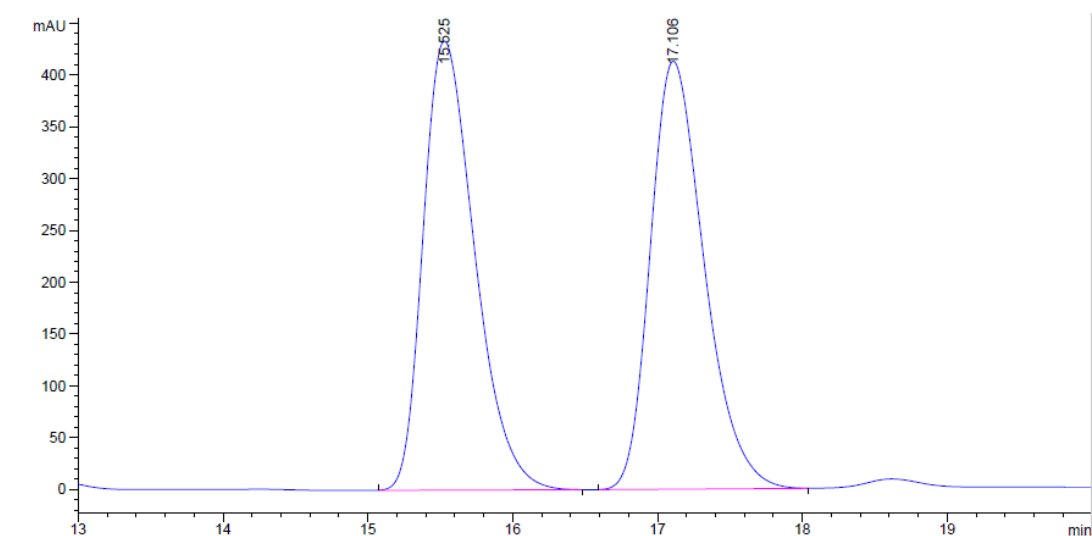
FTIR (neat) 3443, 2927, 1266, 1165, 1109, 925, 852, 761, 735, 701 cm^{–1}.

[α]_D³⁴ : –65.0 (*c* = 0.5, CHCl₃)

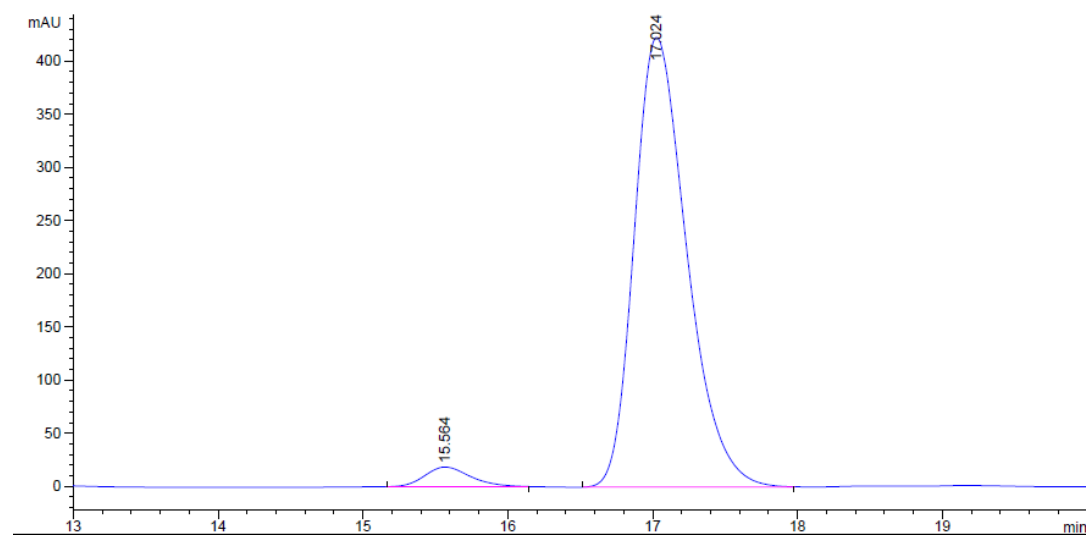
HPLC: (Chiralcel AS-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm), *ee* = 93%.





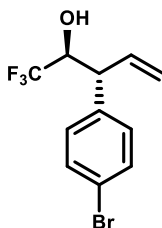


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2	17.106	BB	0.3998	1.06761e4	412.67371	49.9092



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(2S,3R)-3-(4-bromophenyl)-1,1,1-trifluoropent-4-en-2-ol (6.4b)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using fluoral hydrate (75% in H₂O, 22 μ L, 200 μ mol) and 1-(4-bromophenyl)allyl acetate (102 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 20:1 \rightarrow 8:1) provided the title compound (51.8 mg, 176 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 88% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.60 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.51 – 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.21 – 7.13 (m, 2H), 6.22 – 6.08 (m, 1H), 5.32 (dt, *J* = 10.3, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.17 (dt, *J* = 17.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (h, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 2.43 (d, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 138.9, 134.5, 132.0, 129.9, 124.7 (d, *J* = 283.3 Hz), 121.4, 120.3, 72.9 (q, *J* = 29.6 Hz), 49.5.

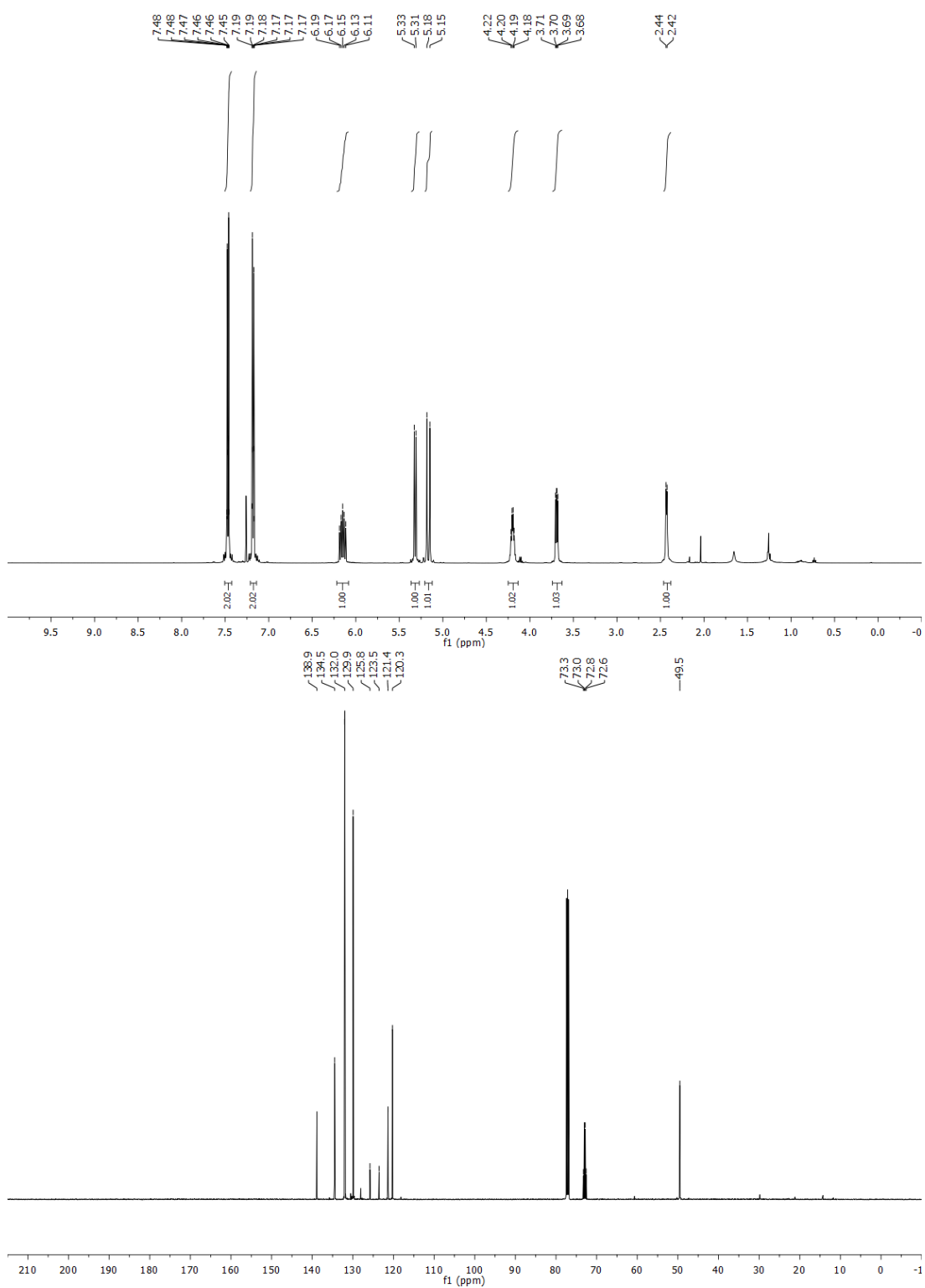
¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = –76.0 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz)

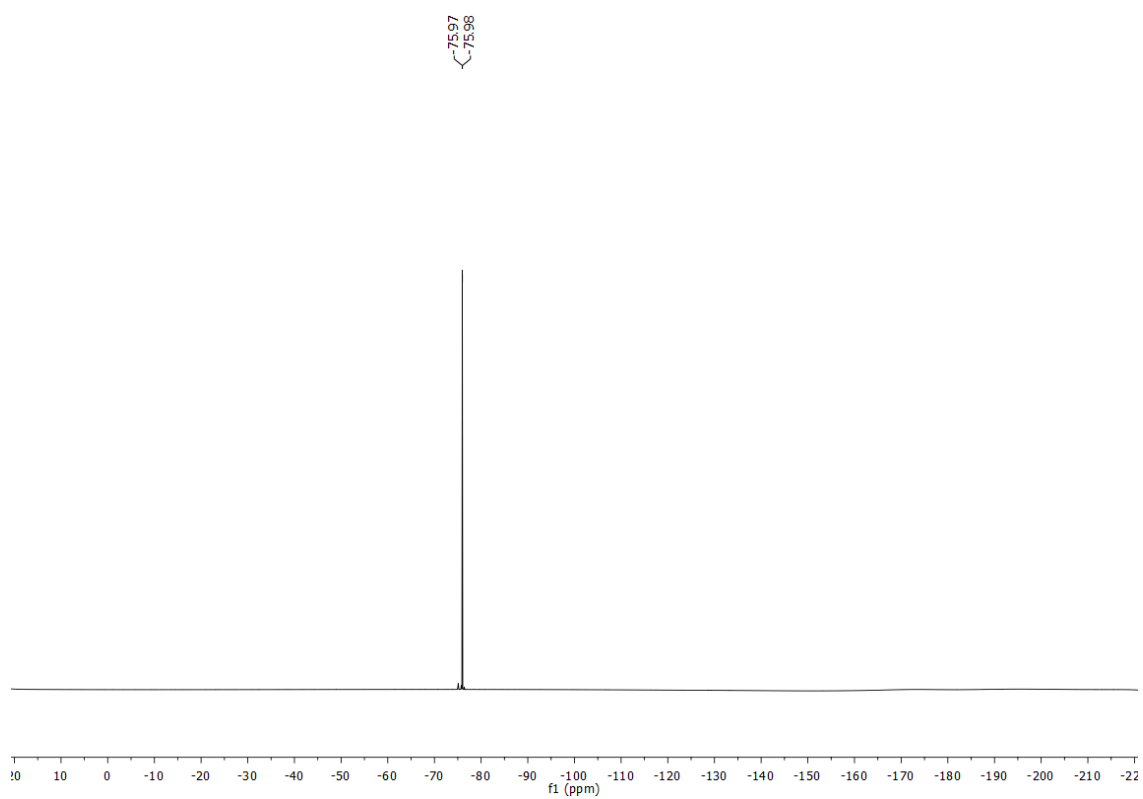
HRMS (CI) Calculated for C₁₁H₁₀BrF₃O [M]⁺ = 293.9867, Found 293.9868.

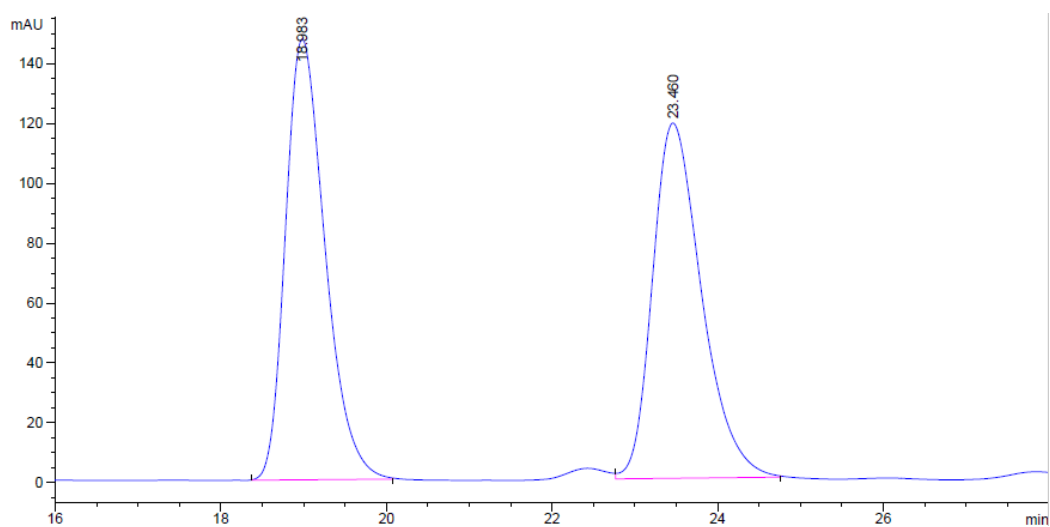
FTIR (neat) 3460, 2923, 1489, 1405, 1270, 1168, 1108, 1075, 1011, 928, 817, 720 cm^{–1}.

$[\alpha]_D^{27}$: –87.3 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)

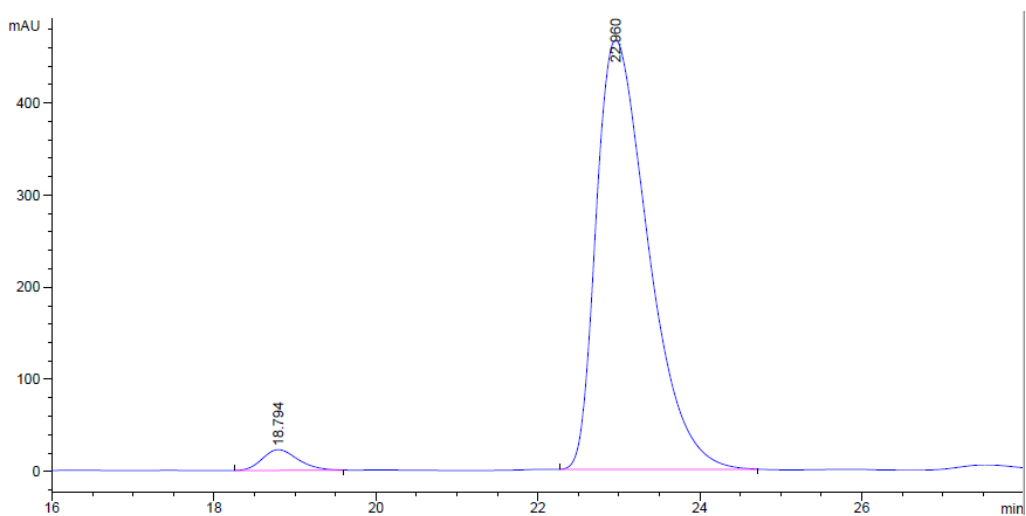
HPLC: (Chiralcel AS-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm), *ee* = 94%.





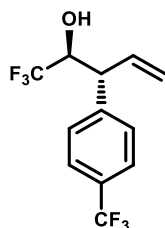


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(2*S*,3*R*)-1,1,1-Trifluoro-3-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)pent-4-en-2-ol (6.4c)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using fluoral hydrate (75% in H₂O, 22 μ L, 200 μ mol) and 1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)allyl acetate (98 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 20:1 \rightarrow 8:1) provided the title compound (36.3 mg, 128 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 64% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.18 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 10:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.63–7.58 (m, 2H), 7.46–7.41 (m, 2H), 6.19 (ddd, *J* = 17.6, 10.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 5.35 (d, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (dt, *J* = 17.6, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 4.25 (pd, *J* = 6.5, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 143.9, 134.2, 129.8 (q, *J* = 32.6 Hz), 128.6, 125.9 (q, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 124.6 (q, *J* = 284.0 Hz), 124.2 (q, *J* = 272.0 Hz), 120.6, 72.9 (q, *J* = 29.8 Hz), 49.9.

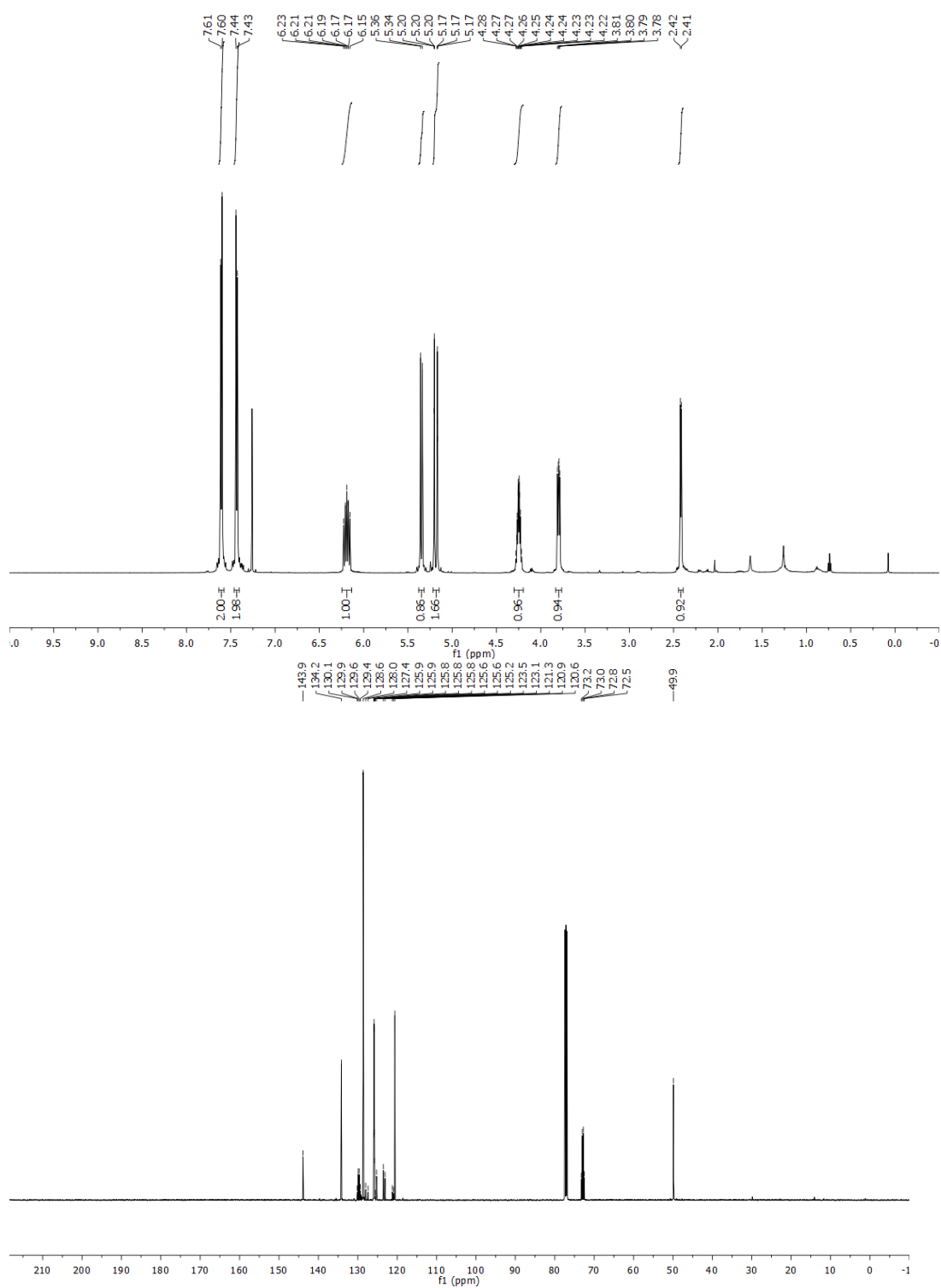
¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = –62.6, –76.1 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz)

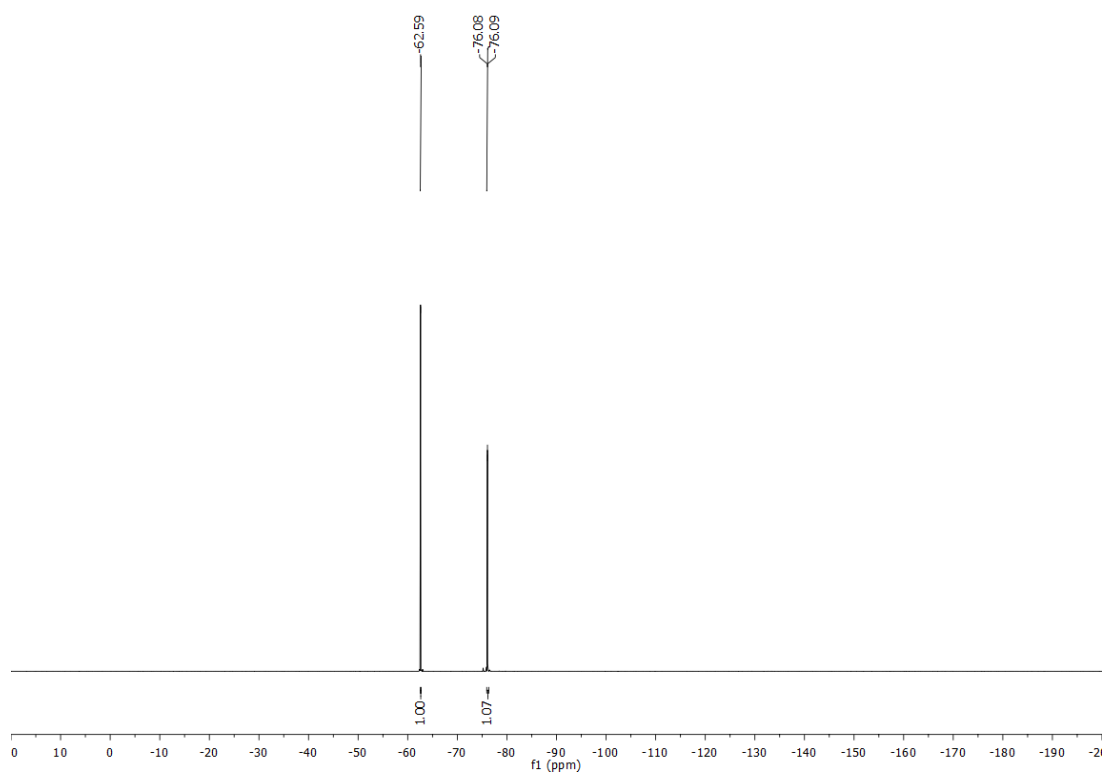
HRMS (CI) Calculated for C₁₂H₁₀F₆O [M]⁺ = 284.0636, Found 284.0636.

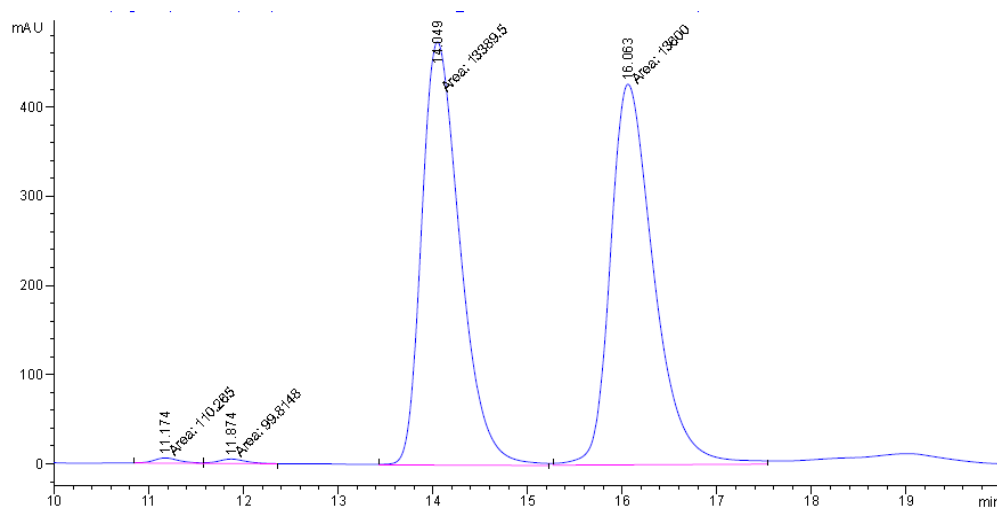
FTIR (neat) 3434, 2923, 1325, 1266, 1164, 1110, 1067, 1019, 832, 700 cm^{–1}.

[α]_D³³ : –59.3 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)

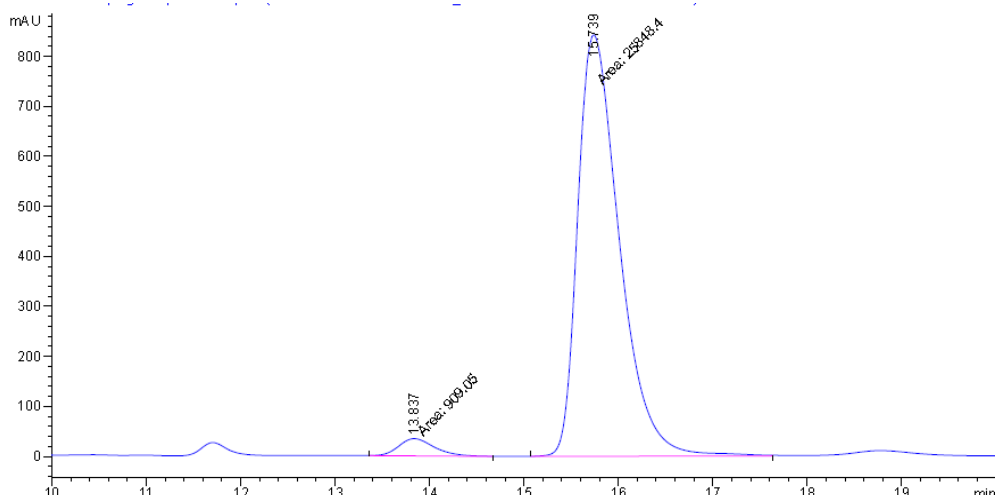
HPLC: (Chiralcel AS-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm), *ee* = 93%.





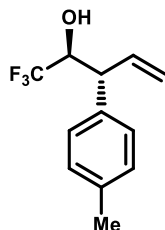


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3	14.049	MM	0.4704	1.33895e4	474.37296	49.2268
4	16.063	MM	0.5313	1.36000e4	426.59085	50.0008



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1	13.837	MM	0.4389	909.05029	34.52143	3.3974
2	15.739	MM	0.5114	2.58484e4	842.32935	96.6026

(2*S*,3*R*)-1,1,1-Trifluoro-3-(*p*-tolyl)pent-4-en-2-ol (6.4d)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using fluoral hydrate (75% in H₂O, 22 μ L, 200 μ mol) and 1-(*p*-tolyl)allyl acetate (76 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 20:1 \rightarrow 8:1) provided the title compound (35.5 mg, 154 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 77% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.18 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 10:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.23–7.12 (m, 4H), 6.18 (ddd, J = 17.6, 10.2, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 5.30 (dd, J = 10.2, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (dt, J = 17.6, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.28–4.17 (m, 1H), 3.70 (dd, J = 8.6, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 137.1, 136.8, 135.2, 129.6, 128.0, 123.7 (d, J = 283.5 Hz), 119.7, 73.2 (q, J = 29.3 Hz), 49.9, 21.2.

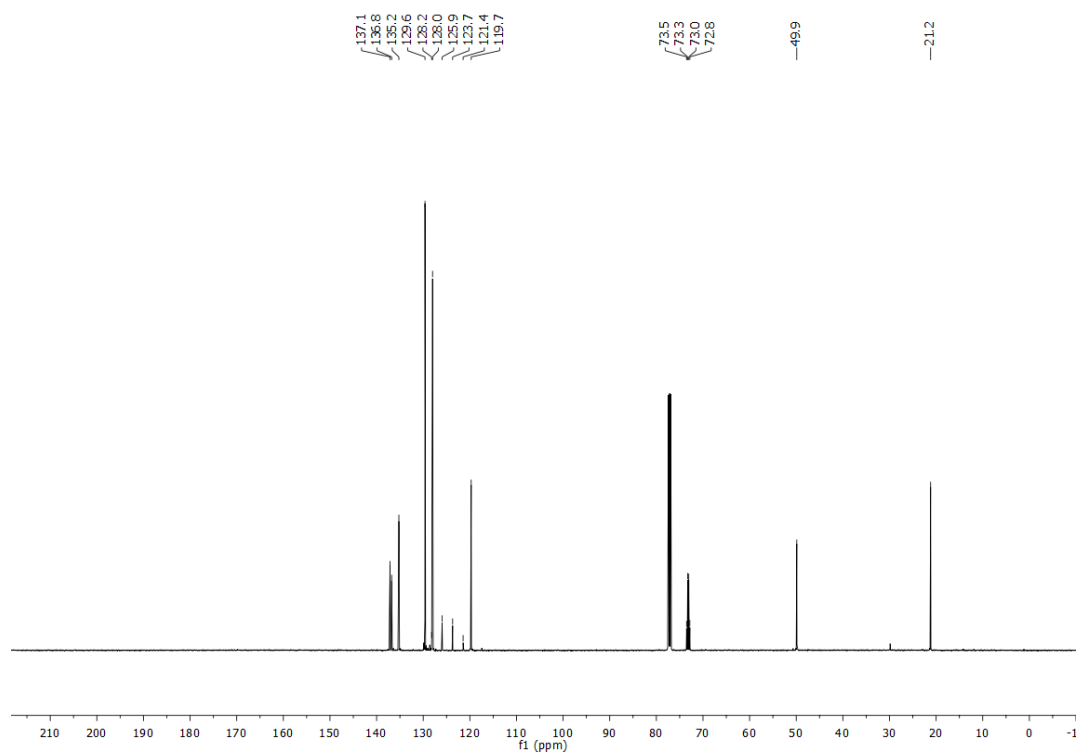
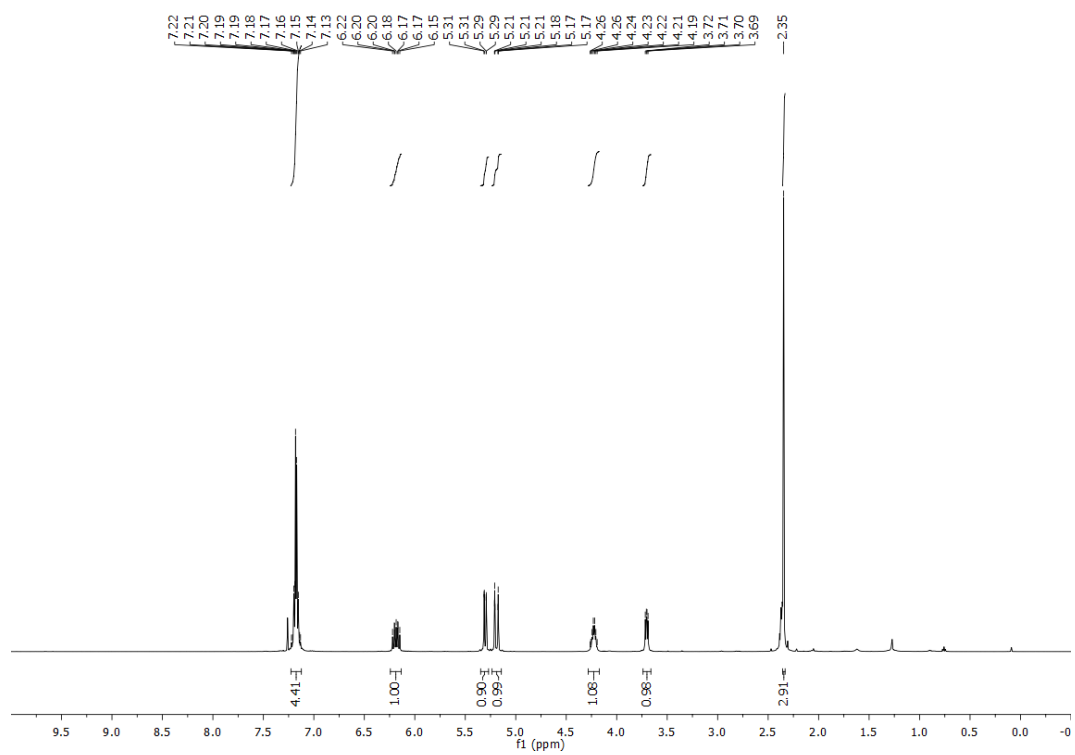
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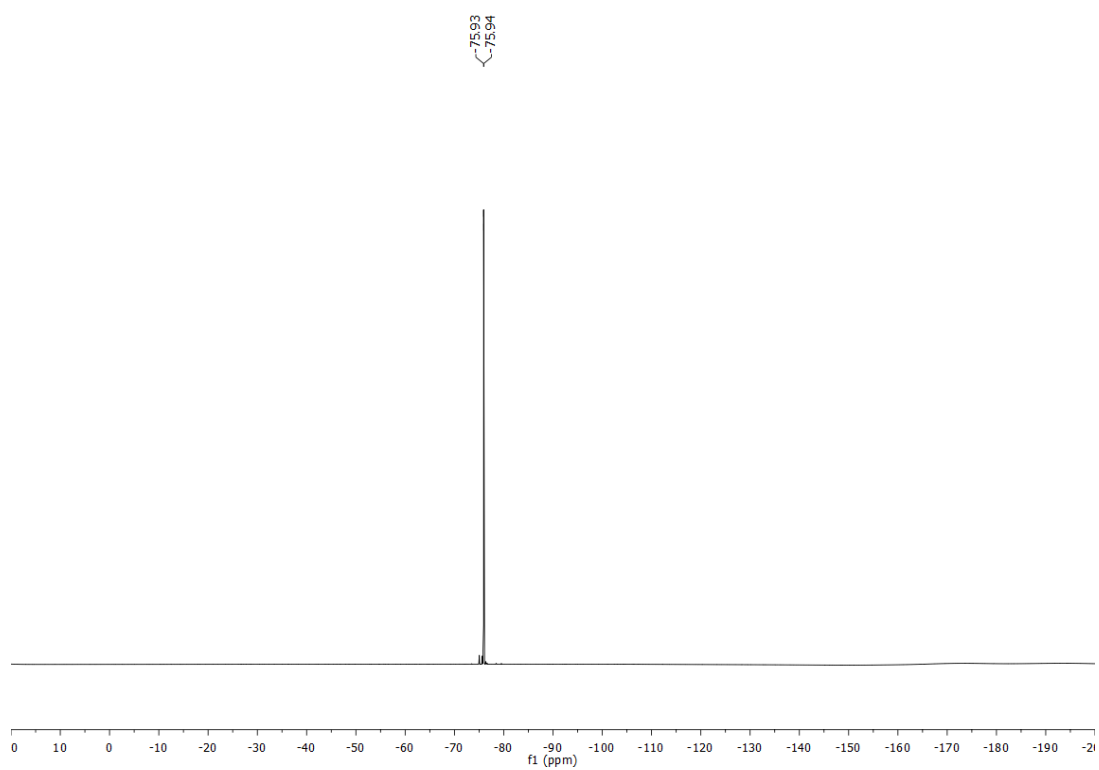
HRMS (CI) Calculated for C₁₂H₁₄F₃O [M+H]⁺ = 231.0997, Found 231.0999.

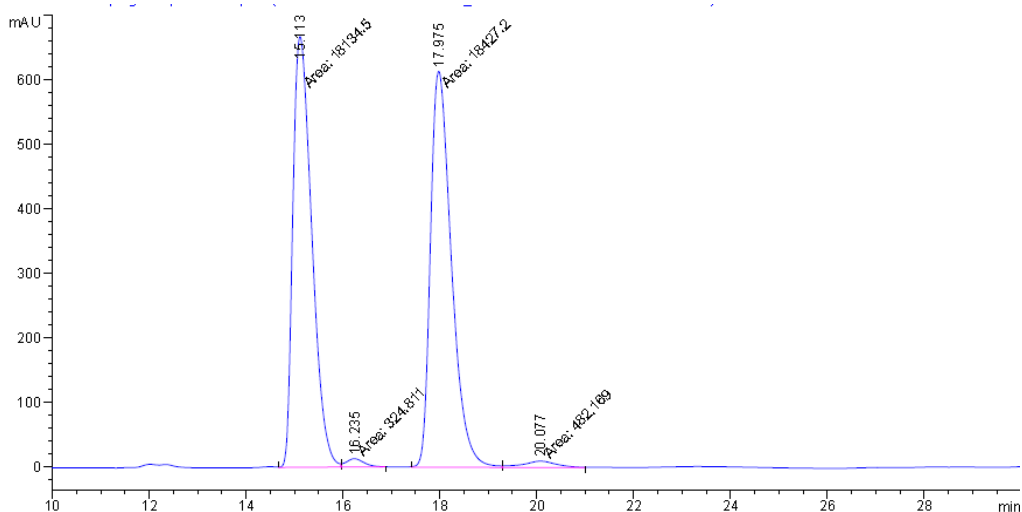
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$[\alpha]_D^{33}$: –77.8 (c = 1.0, CHCl₃)

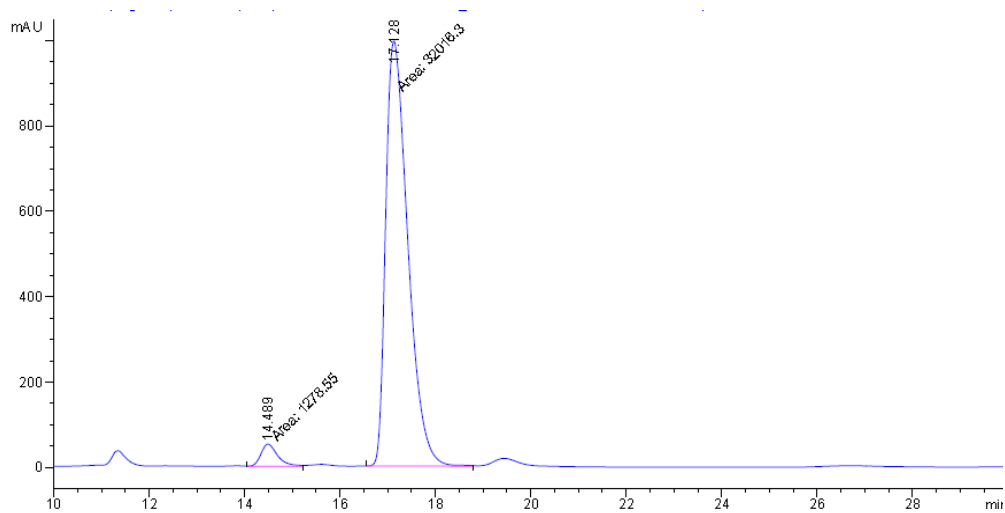
HPLC: (Chiralcel AS-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm), *ee* = 92%.





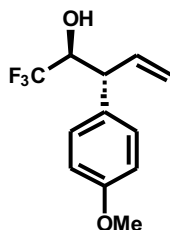


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2	16.235	FM	0.4216	324.81085	12.84072	0.8692
3	17.975	MF	0.5008	1.84272e4	613.20197	49.3119
4	20.077	FM	0.8083	482.16904	9.94247	1.2903



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1	14.489	MF	0.4079	1278.54797	52.24576	3.8401
2	17.128	MF	0.5362	3.20163e4	995.22772	96.1599

(2*S*,3*R*)-1,1,1-Trifluoro-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)pent-4-en-2-ol (6.4e)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using fluoral hydrate (75% in H₂O, 22 μ L, 200 μ mol) and 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)allyl acetate (82 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 20:1 \rightarrow 8:1) provided the title compound (34.9 mg, 142 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 71% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.36 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 4:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.21 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.22 – 6.11 (m, 1H), 5.29 (dt, *J* = 10.2, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.17 (dt, *J* = 17.2, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.24 – 4.15 (m, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.69 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 158.8, 135.3, 131.8, 129.2, 124.8 (q, *J* = 283.3 Hz), 119.5, 114.3, 73.2 (q, *J* = 29.2 Hz), 55.4, 49.4.

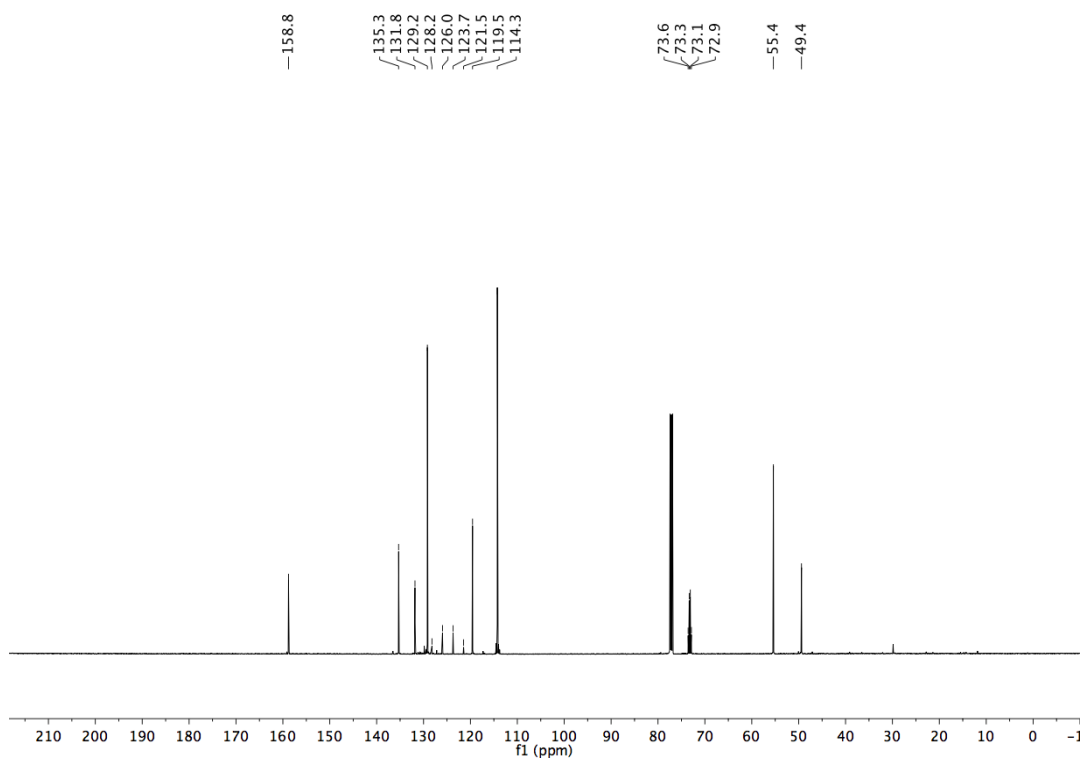
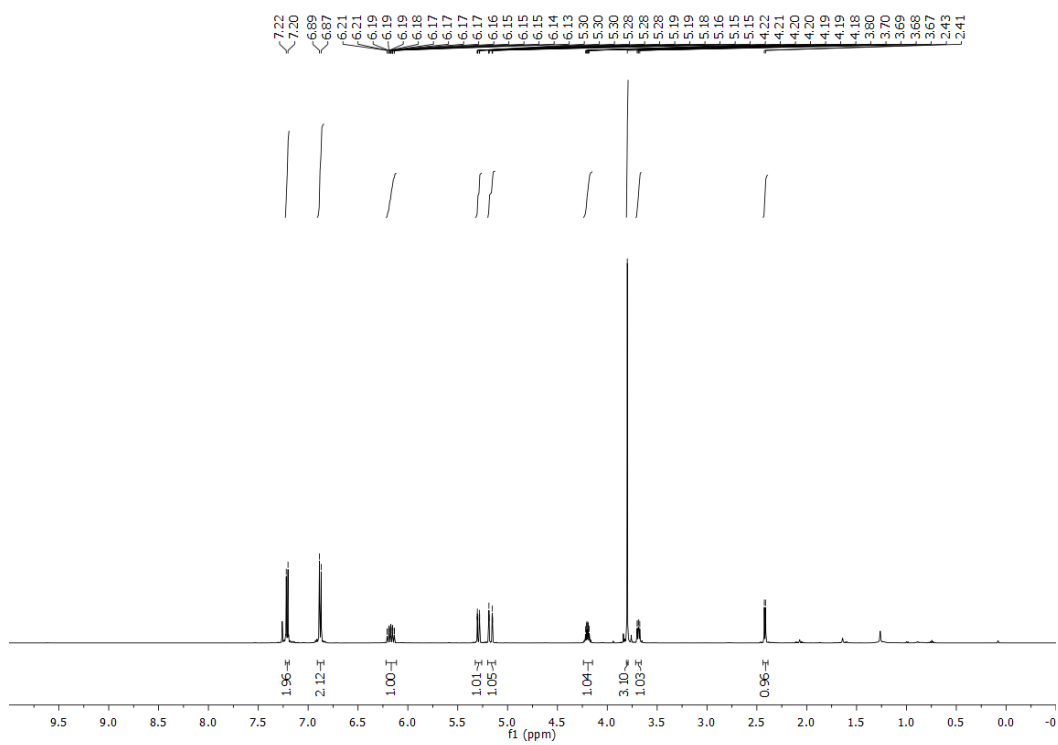
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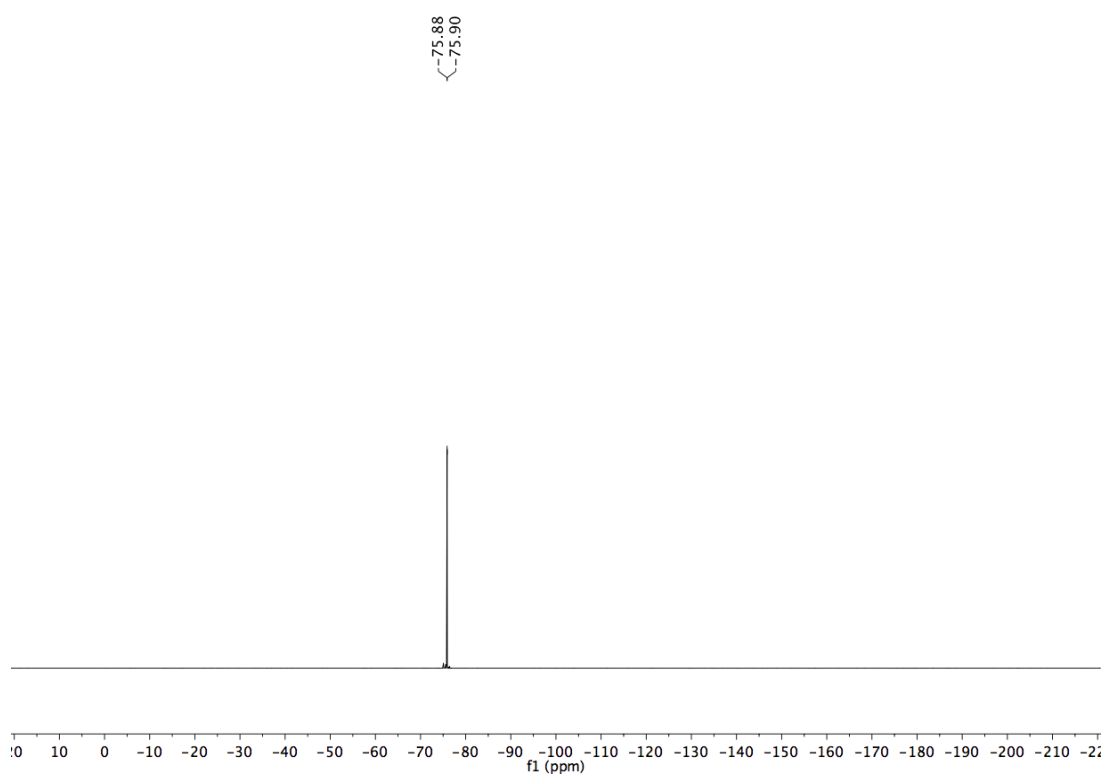
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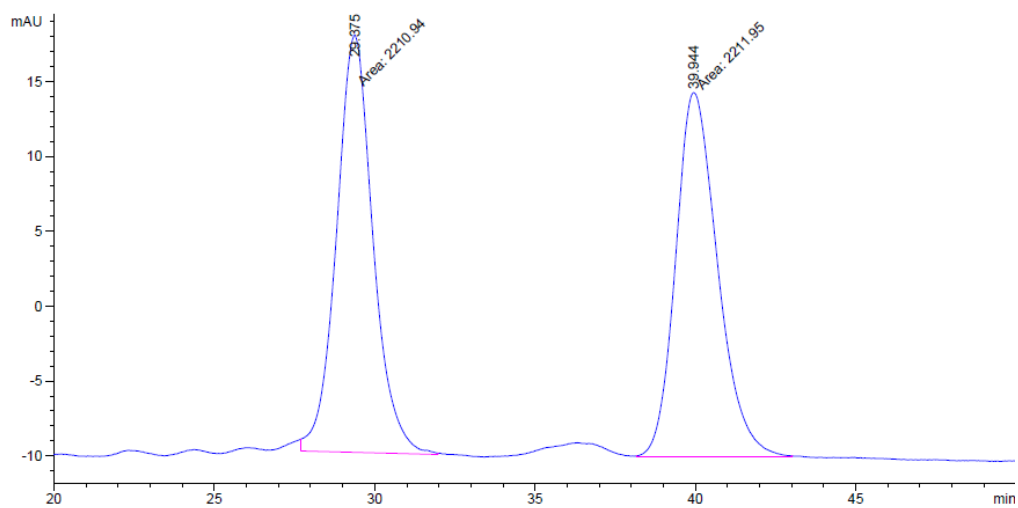
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[α]_D³³ : -73.5 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)

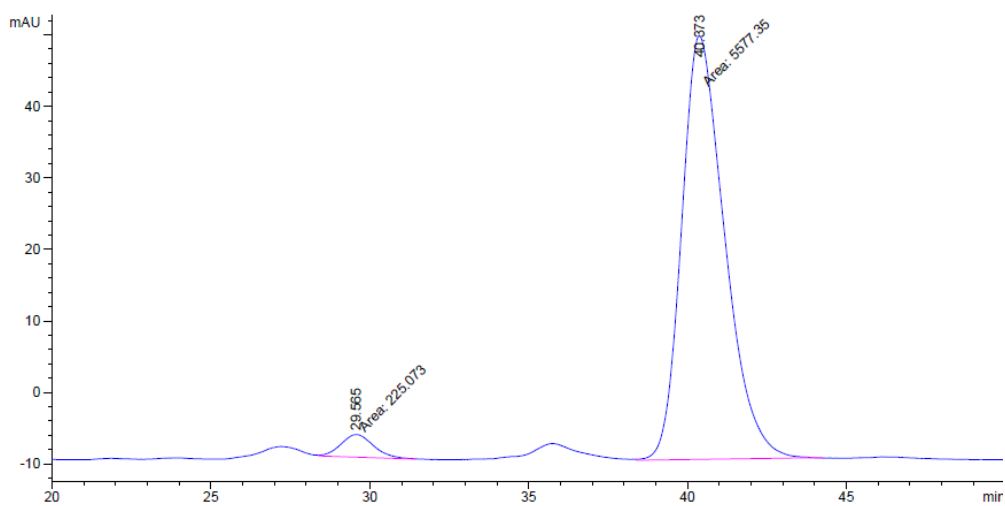
HPLC: (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm), *ee* = 92%.





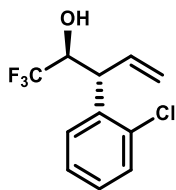


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1	29.565	MM	1.1884	225.07312	3.15641	3.8790
2	40.373	MM	1.5699	5577.34863	59.21095	96.1210

(2S,3R)-3-(2-chlorophenyl)-1,1,1-trifluoropent-4-en-2-ol (6.4f)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using fluoral hydrate (75% in H₂O, 22 μ L, 200 μ mol) and 1-(2-chlorophenyl)allyl acetate (84 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 20:1 \rightarrow 8:1) provided the title compound (30.1 mg, 120 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 60% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.57 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.46 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 6.24 (dddt, *J* = 17.2, 10.1, 8.2, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.36 – 5.33 (m, 1H), 5.18 (dt, *J* = 17.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.40 – 4.22 (m, 2H), 2.40 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 137.7, 133.4, 133.3, 130.1, 129.8, 128.6, 127.2, 124.7 (d, *J* = 283.3 Hz), 120.7, 71.9 (q, *J* = 30.0 Hz), 45.6.

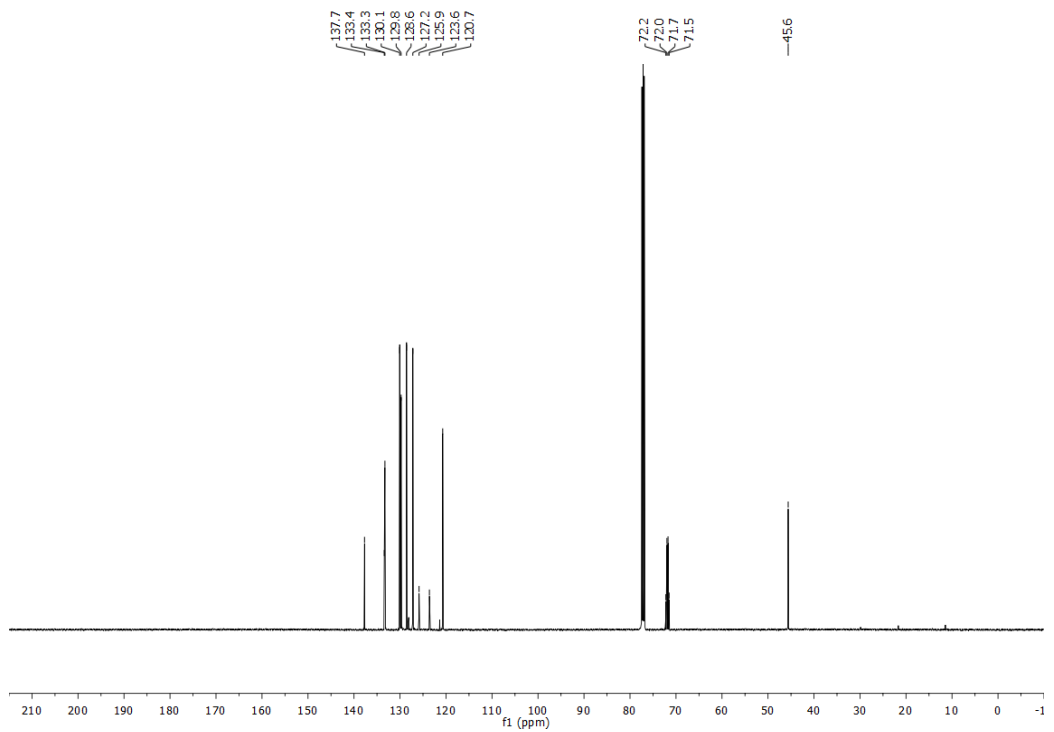
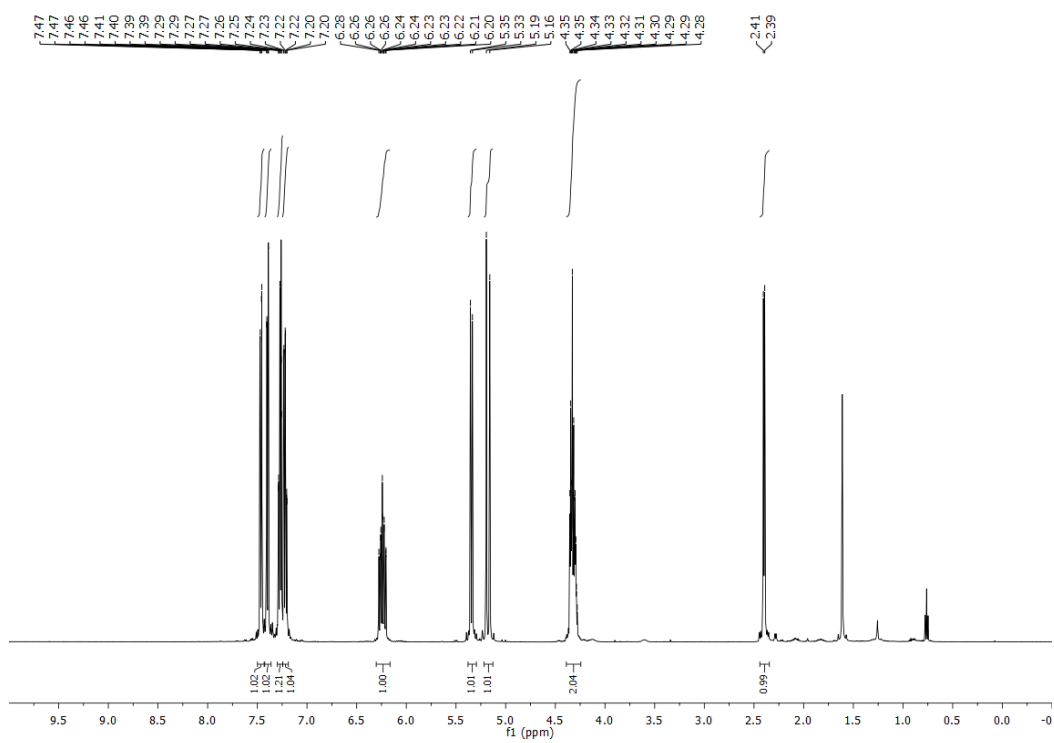
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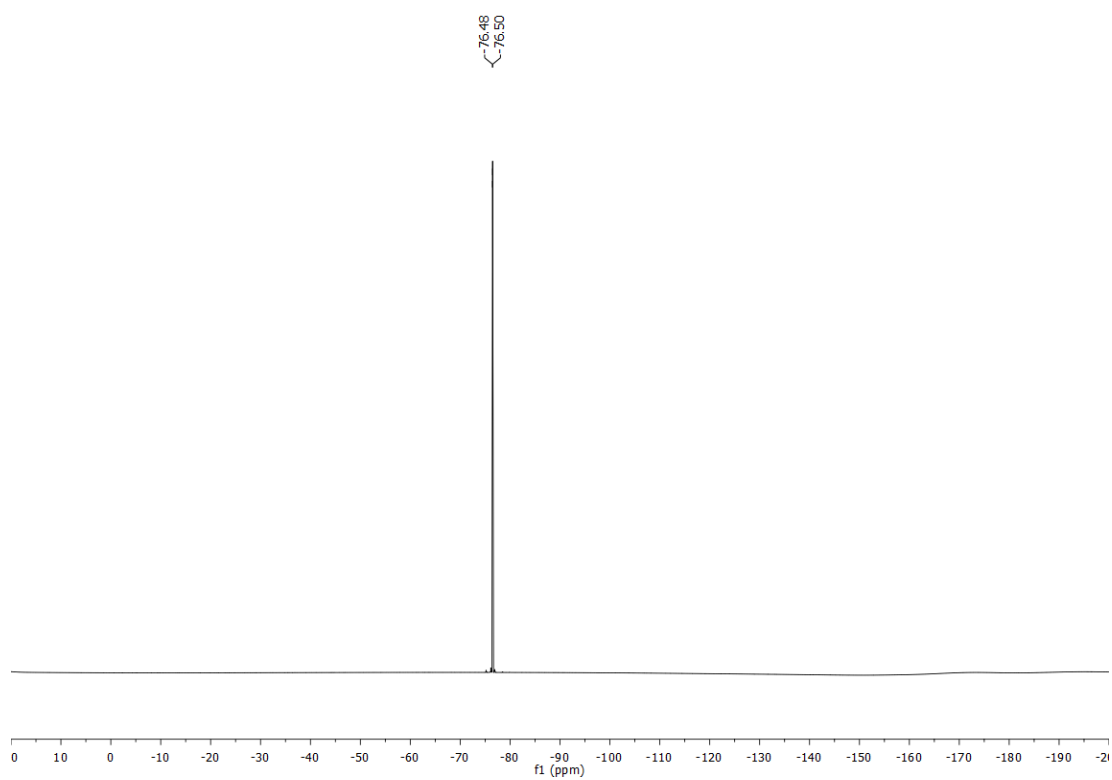
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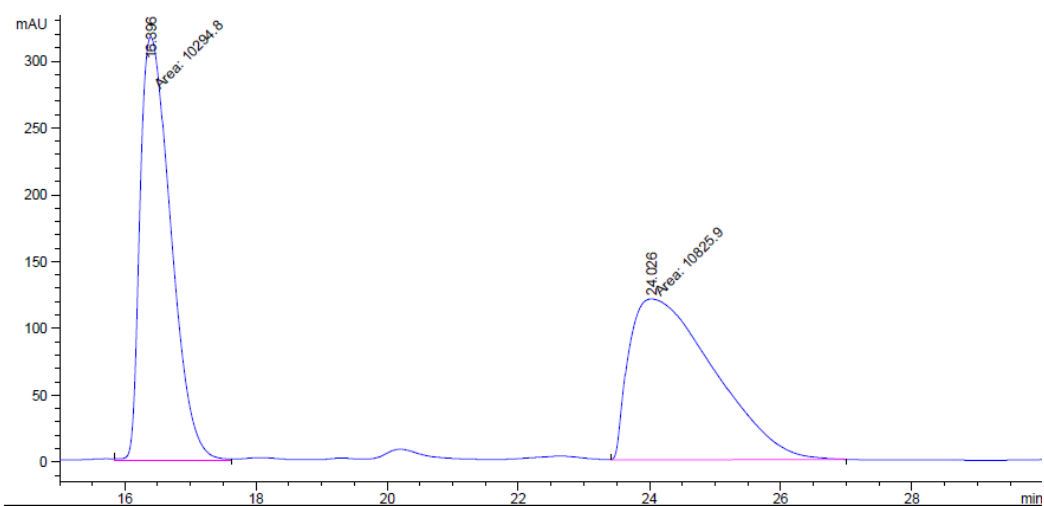
FTIR (neat) 3466, 2926, 1474, 1271, 1170, 1128, 1101, 928, 751, 680 cm^{–1}.

[α]_D³⁰ : –38.8 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)

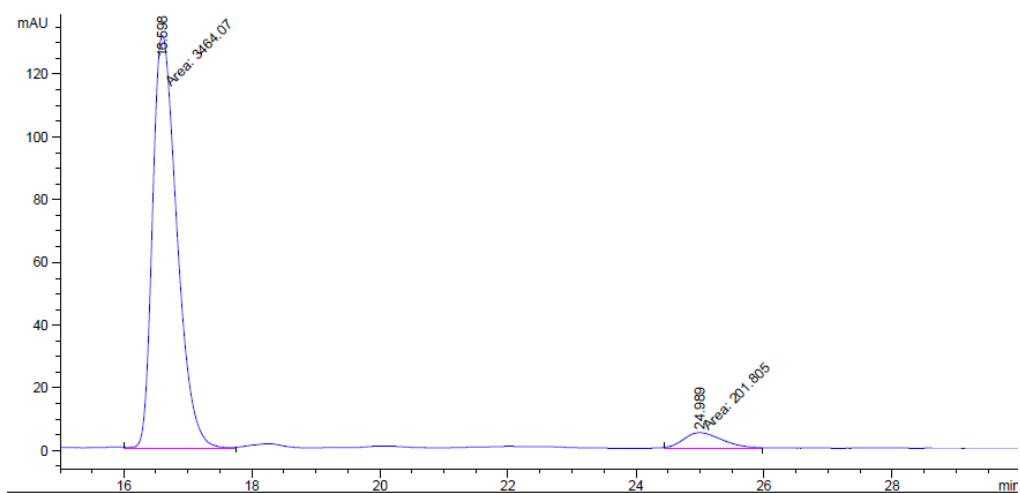
HPLC: (Chiralcel AS-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm), *ee* = 89%.





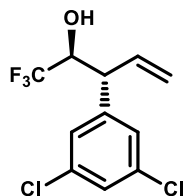


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(2S,3R)-3-(3,5-dichlorophenyl)-1,1,1-trifluoropent-4-en-2-ol (6.4g)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using fluoral hydrate (75% in H₂O, 22 μ L, 200 μ mol) and 1-(3,5-dichlorophenyl)allyl acetate (98 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 20:1) provided the title compound (52 mg, 182 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 91% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.34 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 9:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 7.30 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 7.23 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 6.13 (dt, *J* = 17.8, 9.2 Hz, 1H), 5.35 (d, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (d, *J* = 17.1 Hz, 1H), 4.21 (h, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.68 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.43 (d, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 143.30, 135.34, 133.52, 127.70, 126.83, 125.65, 123.39, 120.84, 72.76 (q, *J* = 30.0 Hz), 49.32.

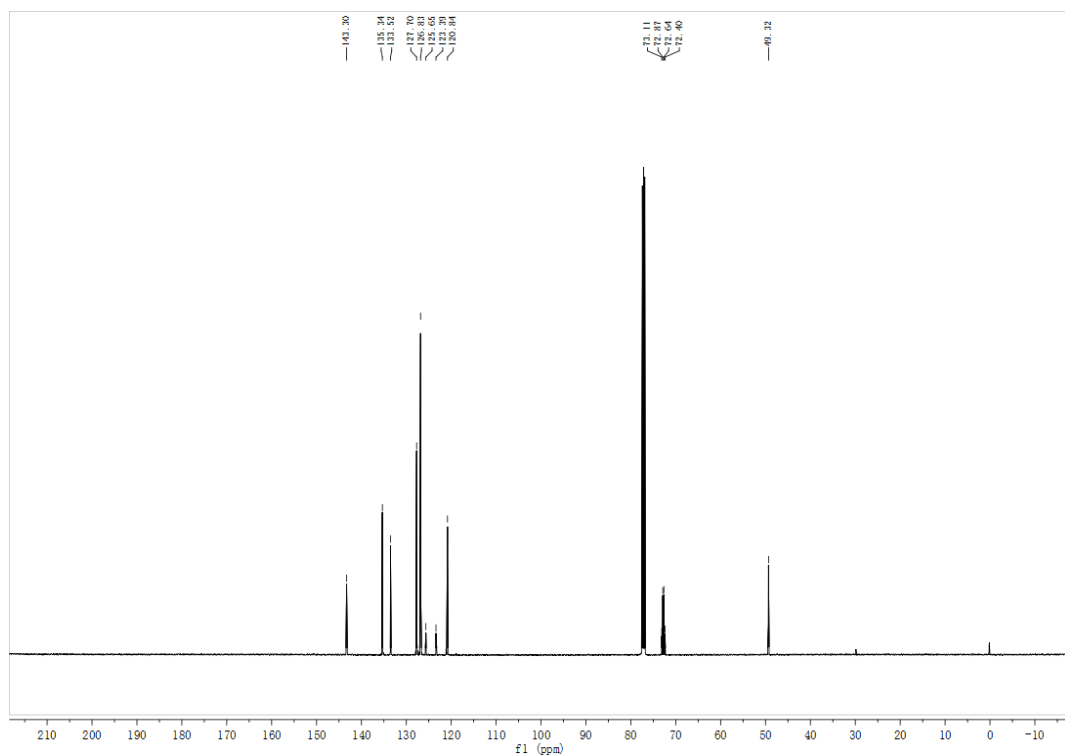
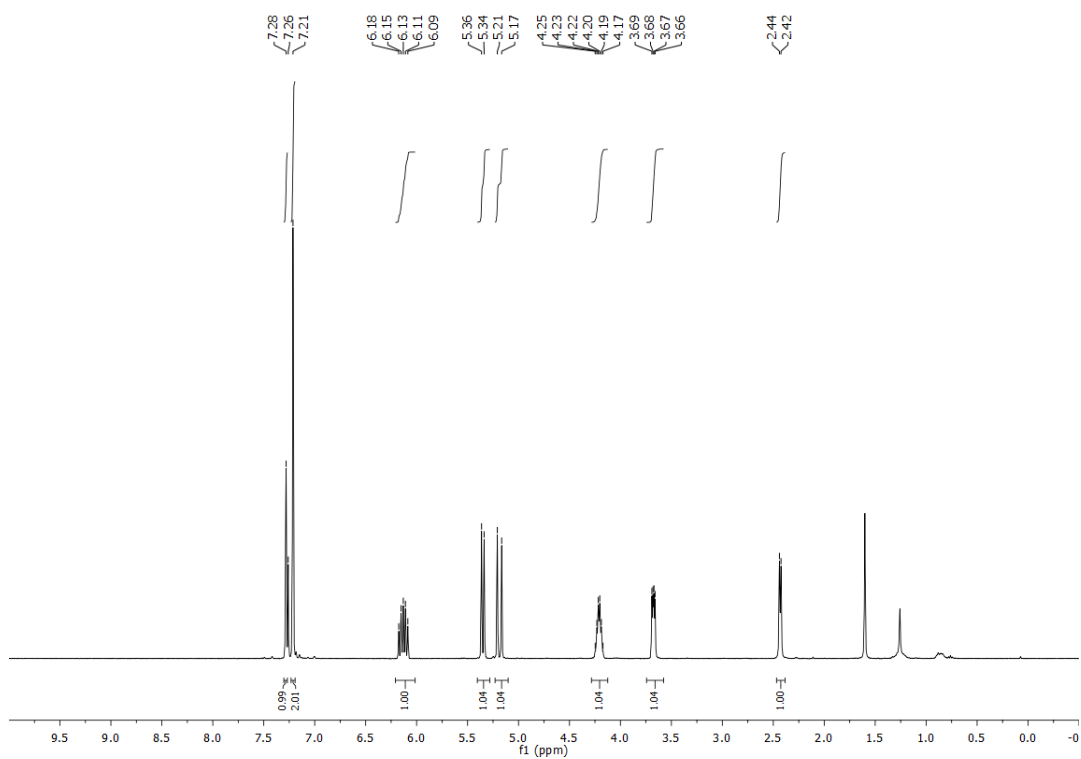
¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -76.15 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz).

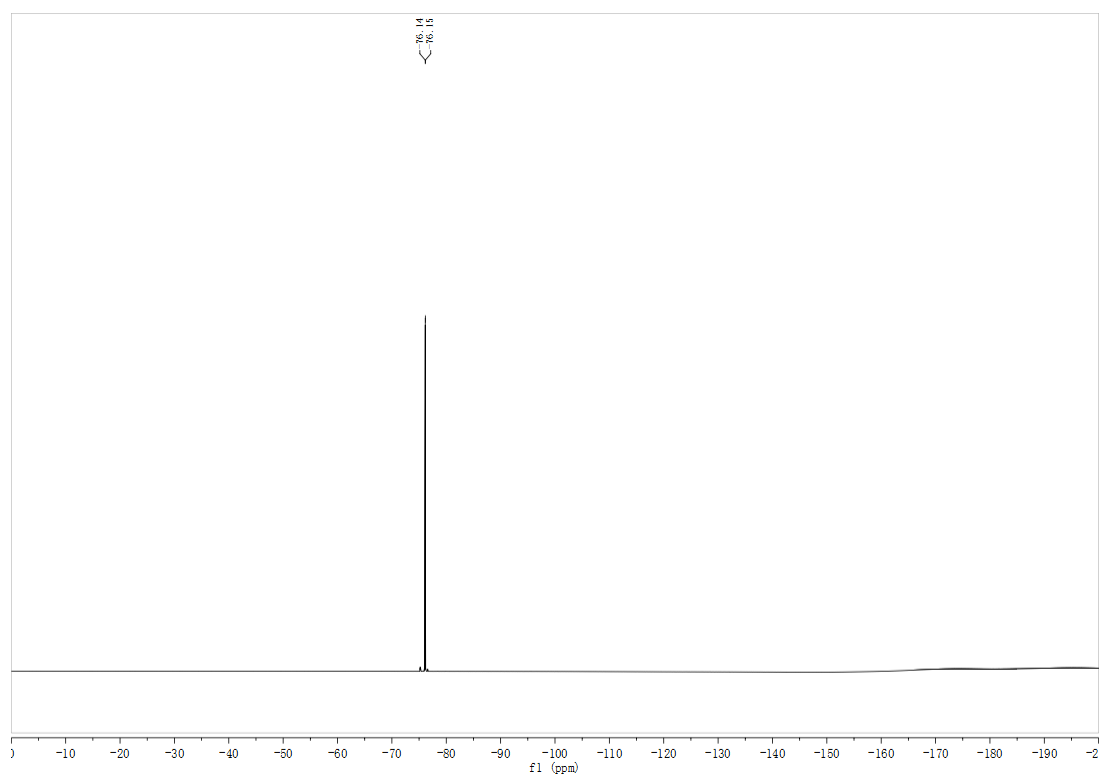
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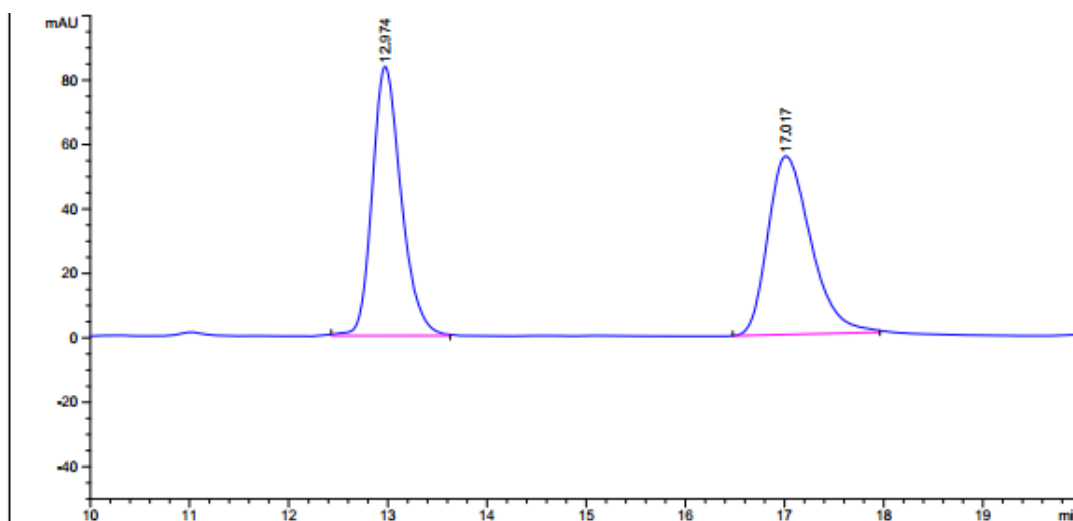
FTIR (neat) 3548, 2360, 1588, 1568, 1169, 1146, 738, 698 cm⁻¹.

[α]_D³³ : -140.9 (*c* = 1.1, CHCl₃)

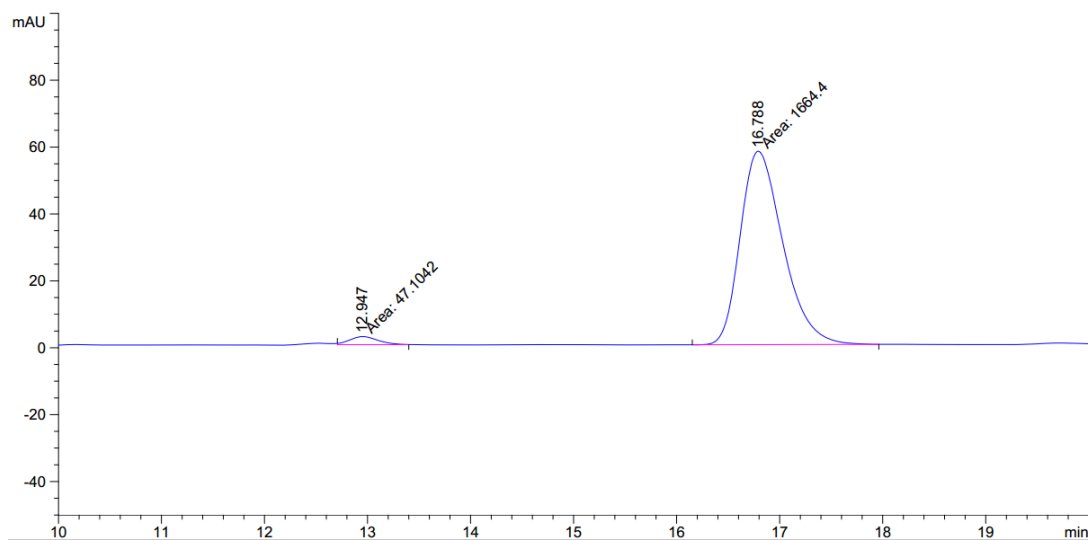
HPLC: (Chiralcel AS-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm), *ee* = 94%.





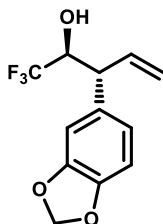


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2	16.788	MM	0.4797	1664.39624	57.82679	97.2478

(2*S*,3*R*)-3-(Benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-1,1,1-trifluoropent-4-en-2-ol (6.4h)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using fluoral hydrate (75% in H₂O, 22 μ L, 200 μ mol) and 1-(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)allyl acetate (88 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 20:1 \rightarrow 8:1) provided the title compound (43.7 mg, 168 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 84% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.09 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 10:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 6.82–6.76 (m, 2H), 6.74 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.14 (ddd, *J* = 17.5, 10.3, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 5.95 (s, 2H), 5.29 (dt, *J* = 10.3, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (dt, *J* = 17.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.22–4.13 (m, 1H), 3.64 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (d, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 148.0, 146.8, 135.1, 133.6, 124.8 (d, *J* = 283.6 Hz), 121.3, 119.7, 108.6, 108.5, 101.2, 73.2 (q, *J* = 29.4 Hz), 49.8.

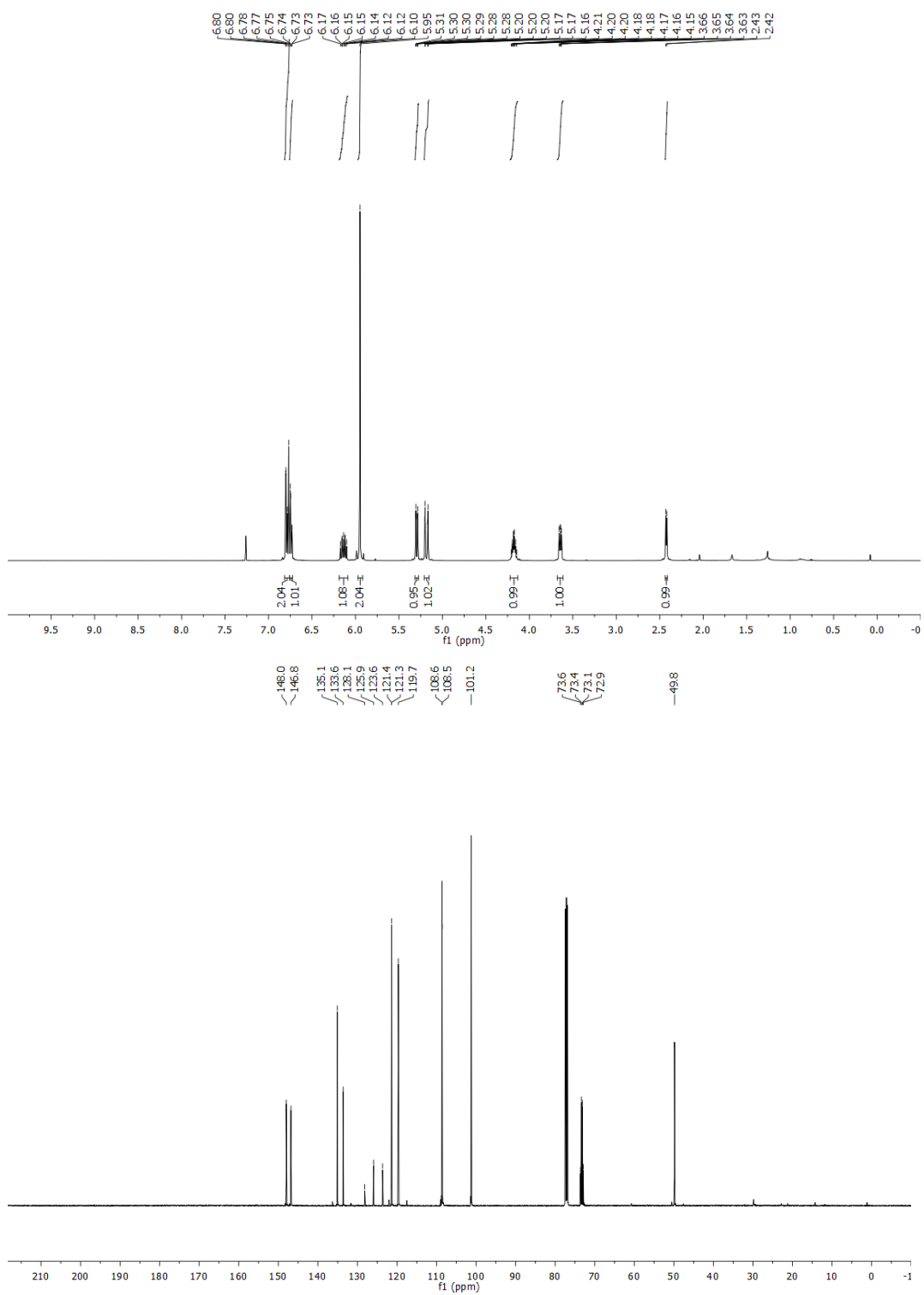
¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = –76.0 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz)

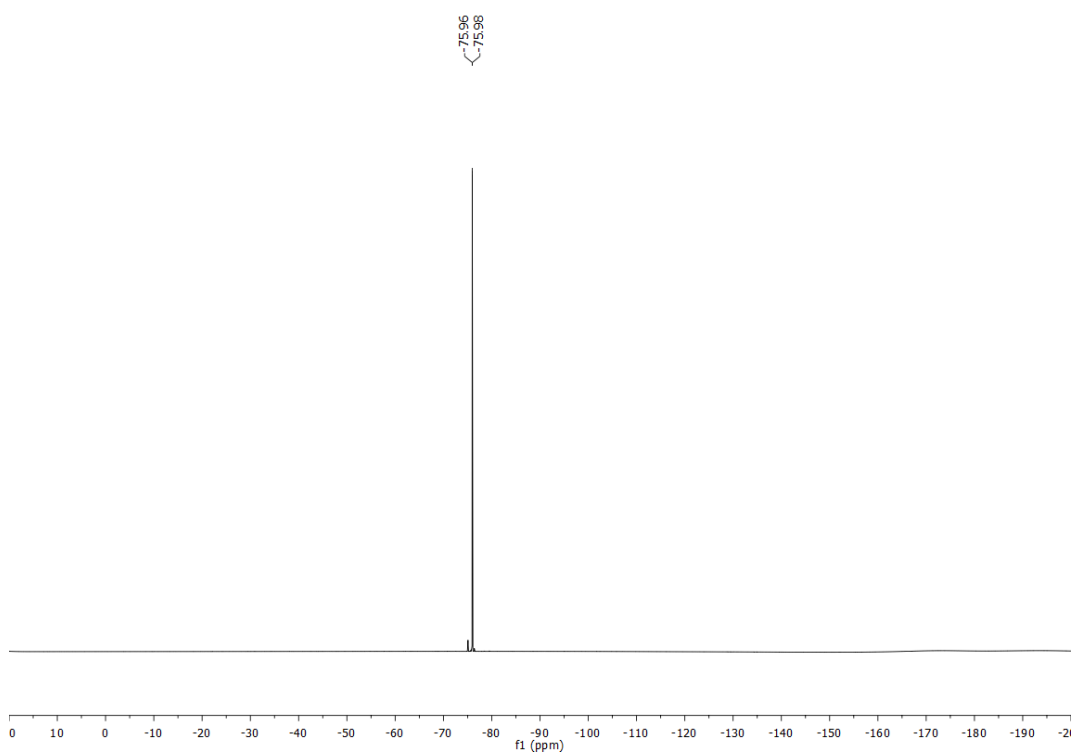
HRMS (CI) Calculated for C₁₂H₁₁F₃O₃ [M]⁺ = 260.0660, Found 260.0658.

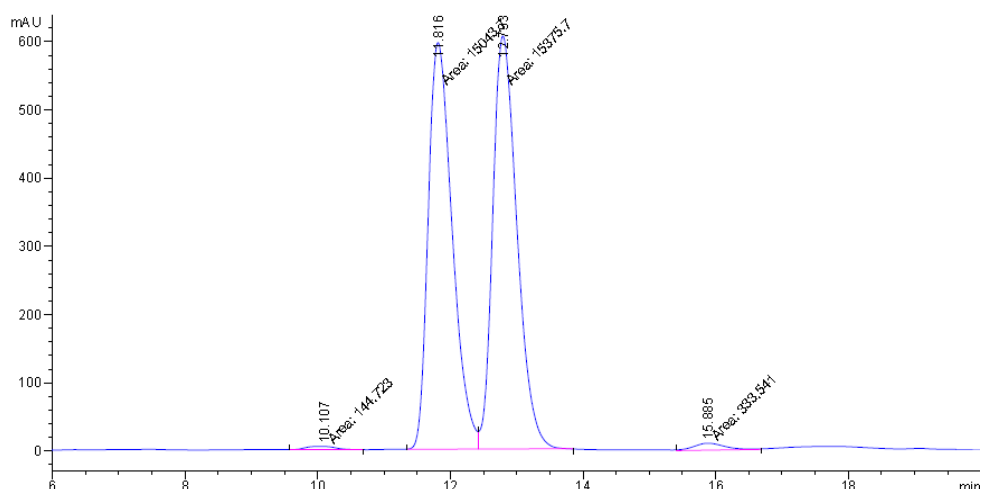
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[α]_D³² : –177.8 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)

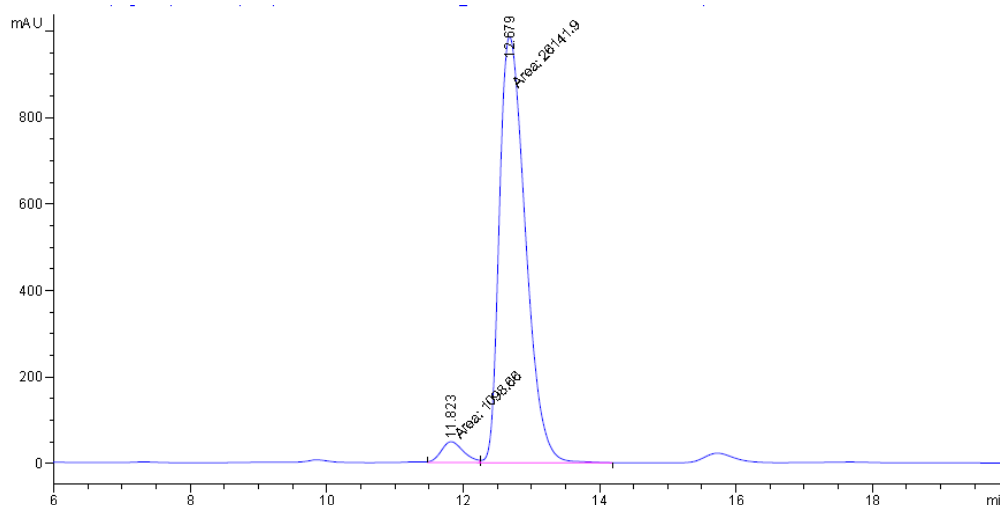
HPLC: (Chiralcel AS-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm), *ee* = 92%.





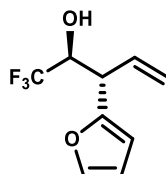


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3	12.793	FM	0.4232	1.53757e4	605.56329	49.7634
4	15.885	MM	0.5463	333.54141	10.17532	1.0795



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1	11.823	MF	0.3788	1098.65637	48.33823	4.0332
2	12.679	FM	0.4426	2.61419e4	984.48370	95.9668

(2S,3S)-1,1,1-trifluoro-3-(furan-2-yl)pent-4-en-2-ol (6.4i)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using fluoral hydrate (75% in H₂O, 22 μ L, 200 μ mol) and 1-(furan-2-yl)allyl acetate (66.5 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 20:1) provided the title compound (25 mg, 120 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 61% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.22 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 9:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.38 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.36 – 6.32 (m, 1H), 6.21 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.14 – 6.04 (m, 1H), 5.36 (d, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 5.25 (d, *J* = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 4.40 (d, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 2.50 (d, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 143.30, 135.34, 133.52, 127.70, 126.83, 125.65, 123.39, 120.84, 71.43 (q, *J* = 30.0 Hz), 49.32.

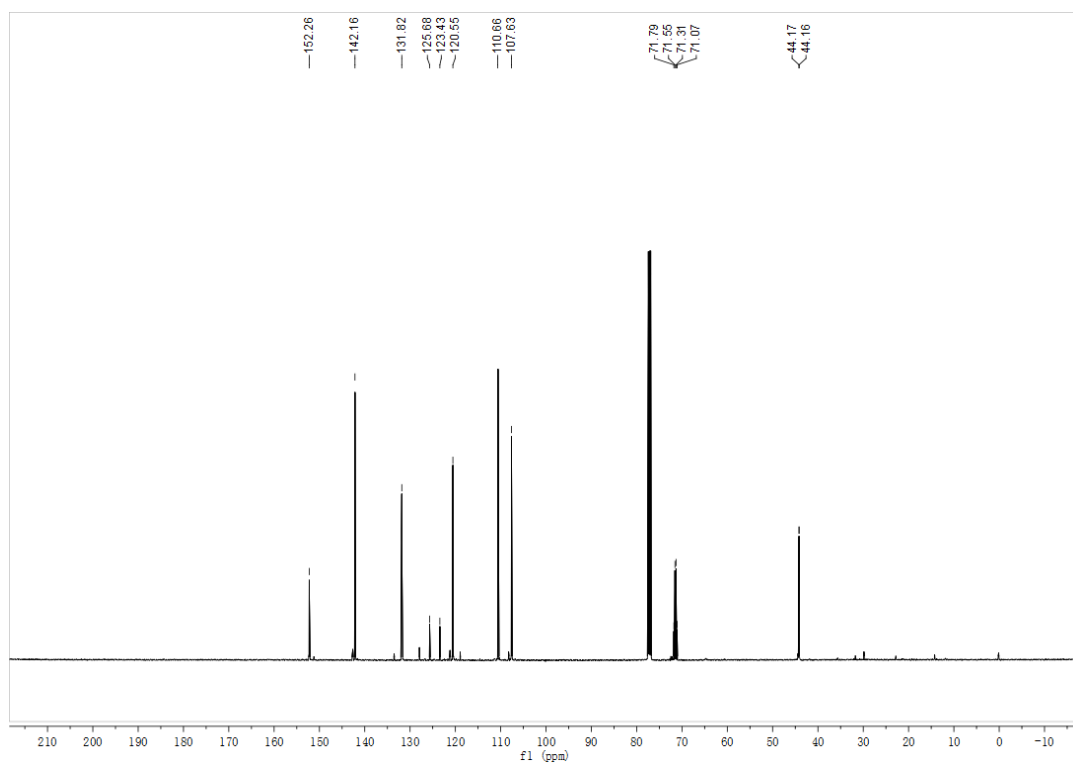
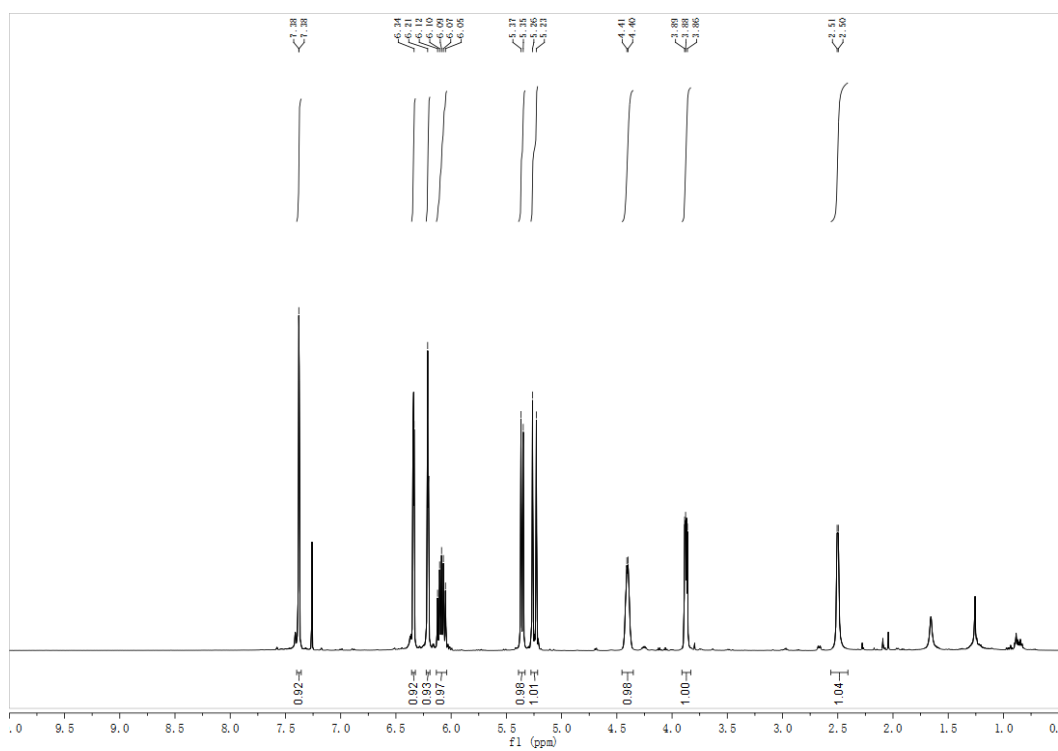
¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -76.26 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz).

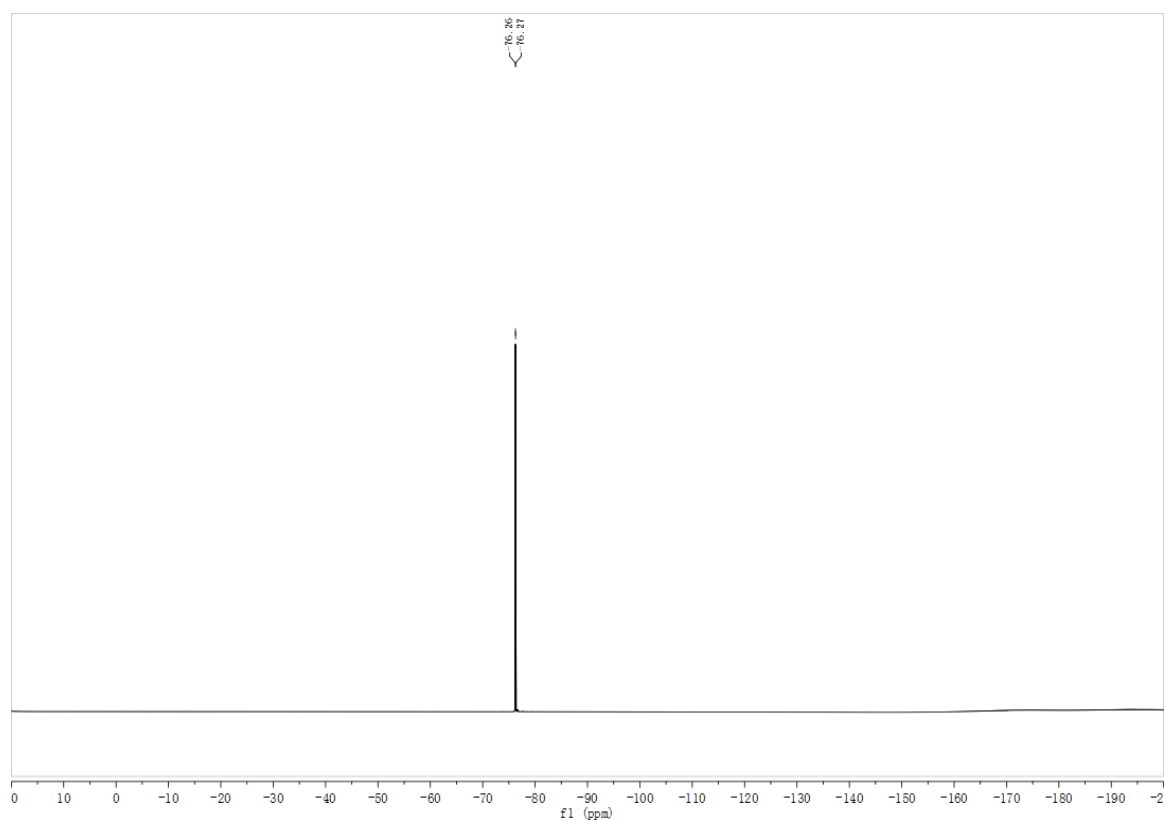
HRMS (CI) Calculated for C₉H₉F₃O₂ [M]⁺ = 206.0555, Found 206.0554.

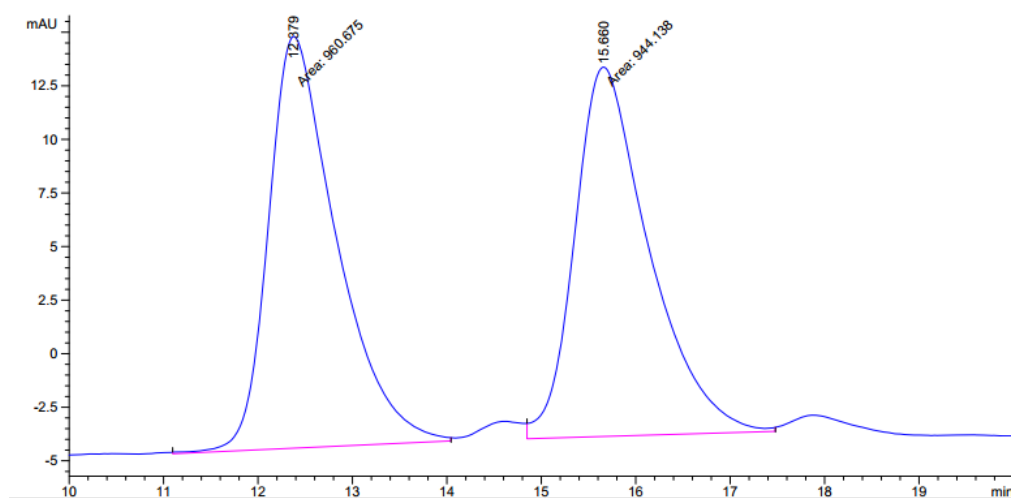
FTIR (neat) 3432, 2925, 1264, 1130, 895, 734, 703 cm⁻¹.

[α]_D³³ : -103 (*c* = 0.1, CHCl₃)

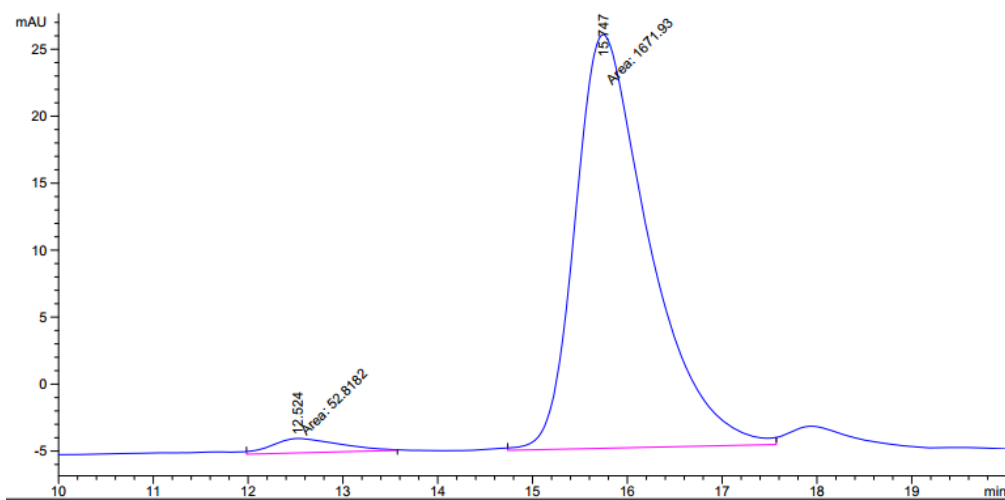
HPLC: (Chiralcel AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm), *ee* = 94%.





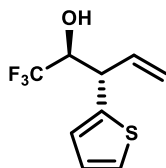


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2	15.660	FM	0.9129	944.13849	17.23668	49.5659



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1	12.524	MM	0.8187	52.81821	1.07522	3.0624
2	15.747	MM	0.9024	1671.92981	30.88092	96.9376

(2*S*,3*S*)-1,1,1-trifluoro-3-(thiophen-2-yl)pent-4-en-2-ol (6.4j)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using fluoral hydrate (75% in H₂O, 22 μ L, 200 μ mol) and 1-(thiophen-2-yl)allyl acetate (72.8 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 20:1) provided the title compound (36.2 mg, 164 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 82% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.53 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 4:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.24 (dd, *J* = 4.4, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 2H), 6.21 – 6.09 (m, 1H), 5.34 (dt, *J* = 10.2, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 5.25 (dt, *J* = 17.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.29 (td, *J* = 6.9, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 4.09 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 2.46 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 142.1, 133.9, 127.0, 125.5, 124.8, 124.5 (q, *J* = 283.3 Hz), 120.1, 73.5 (q, *J* = 29.9 Hz), 45.4.

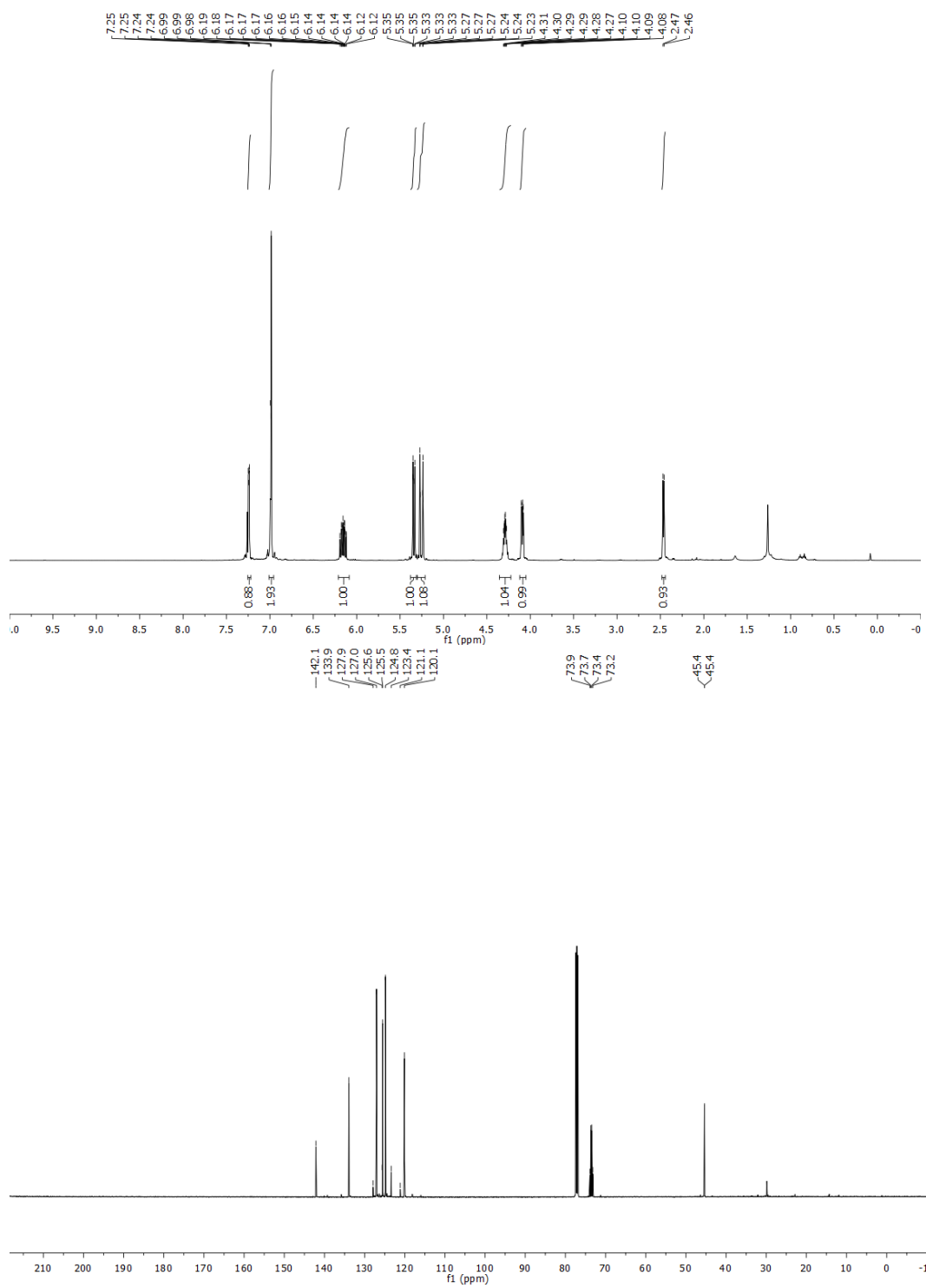
¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -75.8 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz).

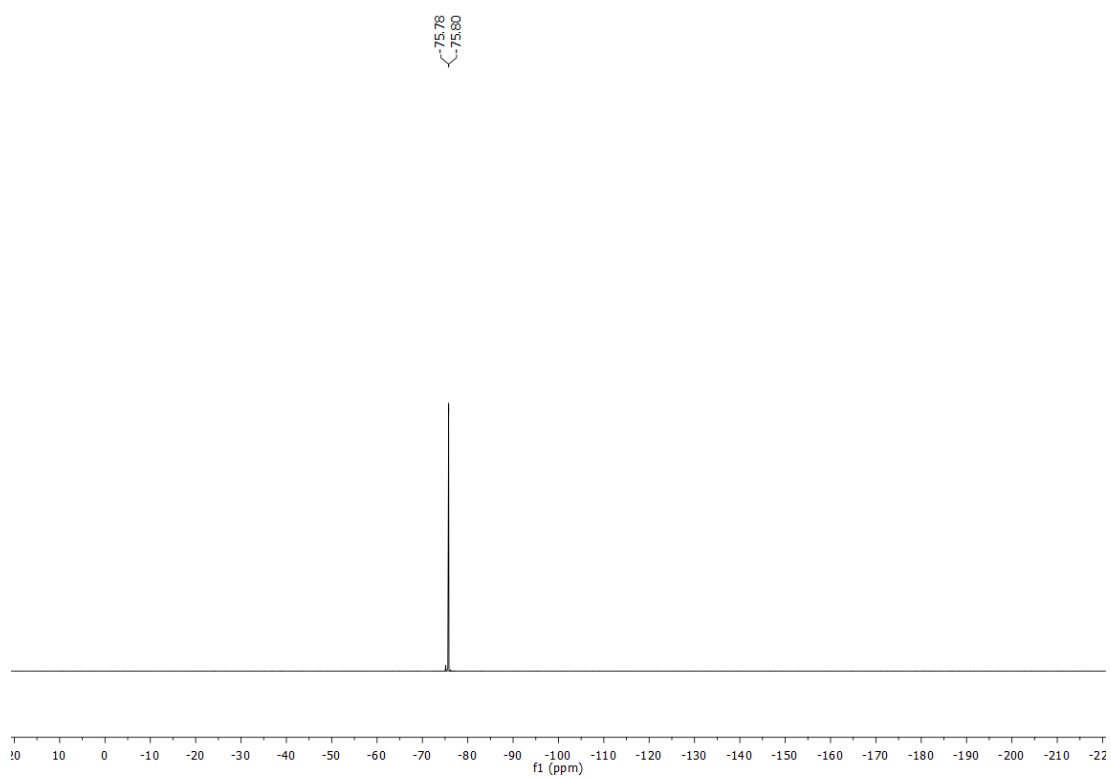
HRMS (CI) Calculated for C₉H₉F₃OS [M]⁺ = 222.0326, Found 222.0329.

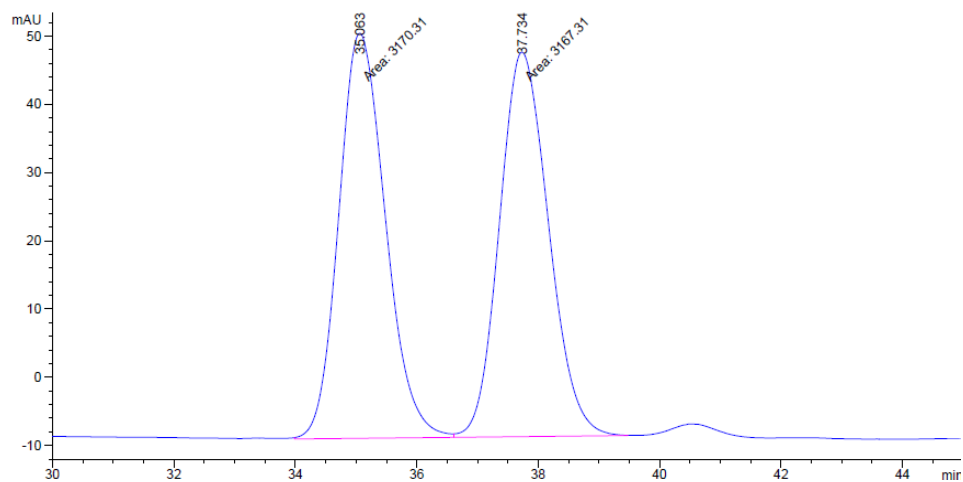
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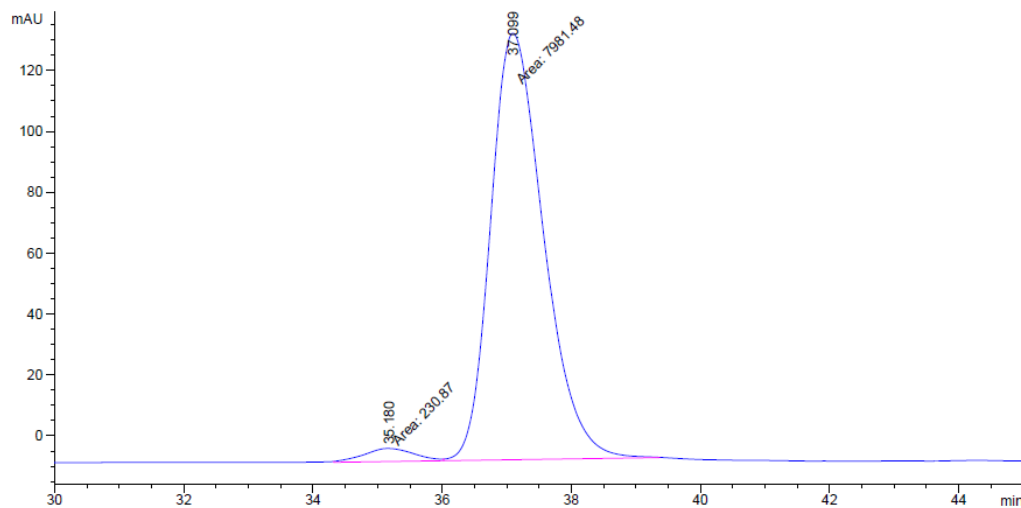
HPLC: (Chiralcel OJ-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm), *ee* = 94%.





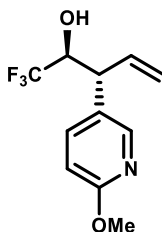


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2	37.734	FM	0.9367	3167.30908	56.35373	49.9763



Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	35.180	MF	0.6357	230.87035	4.27211	2.8113
2	37.099	FM	0.9494	7981.48096	140.11073	97.1887

(2S,3R)-1,1,1-trifluoro-3-(6-methoxypyridin-3-yl)pent-4-en-2-ol (6.4k)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using fluoral hydrate (75% in H₂O, 22 μ L, 200 μ mol) and 1-(6-methoxypyridin-3-yl)allyl acetate (83 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 6:1) provided the title compound (42.8 mg, 173 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 87% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.37 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.04 (dt, *J* = 2.6, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 6.18 (dddd, *J* = 17.2, 10.2, 8.1, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 5.29 (dt, *J* = 10.3, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.15 (dt, *J* = 17.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (h, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.68 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.28 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 163.5, 146.2, 138.8, 134.6, 128.5, 124.8 (d, *J* = 283.5 Hz), 119.8, 111.0, 73.0 (q, *J* = 29.4 Hz), 53.7, 46.8.

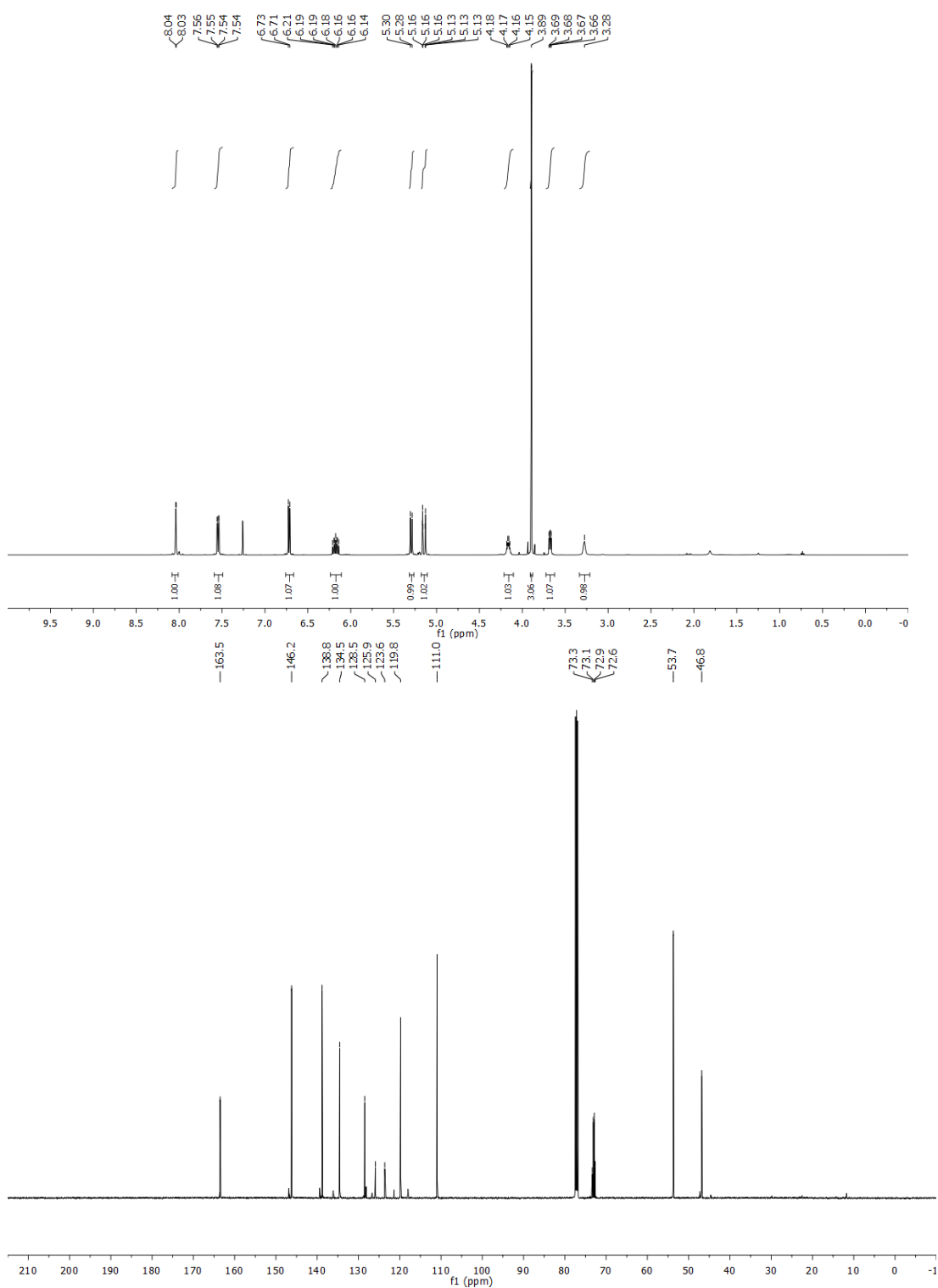
¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -75.8 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz)

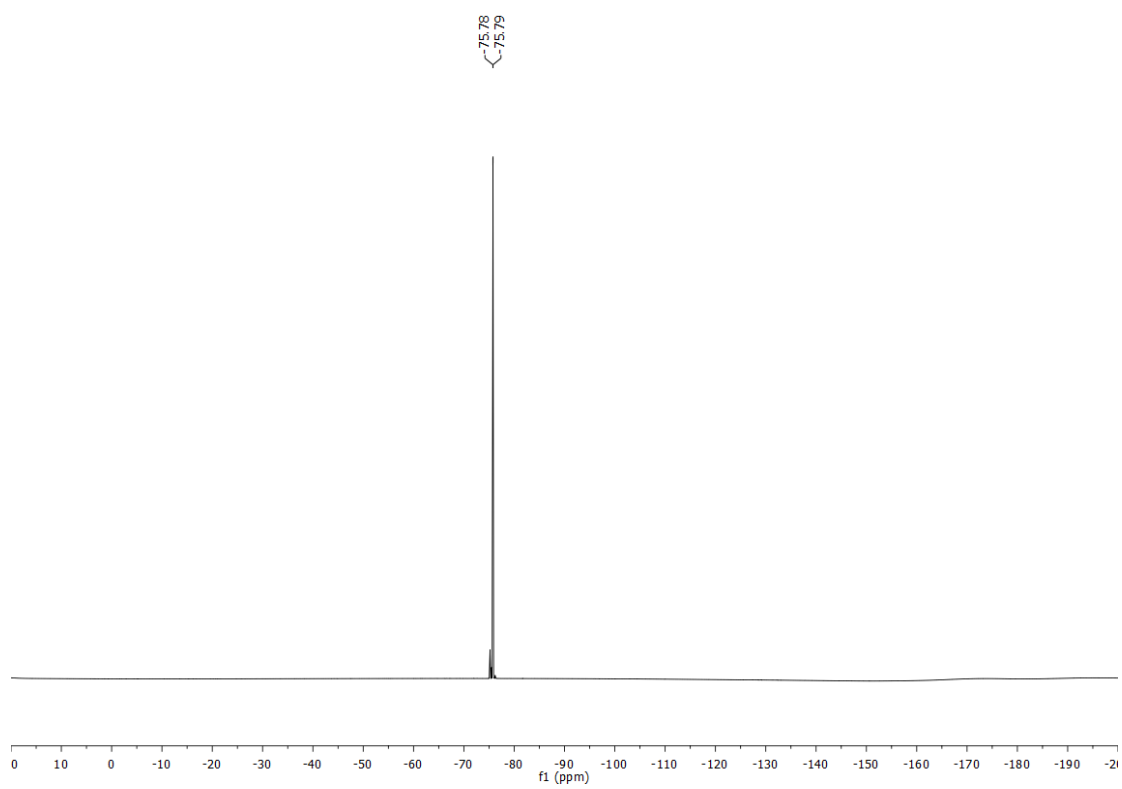
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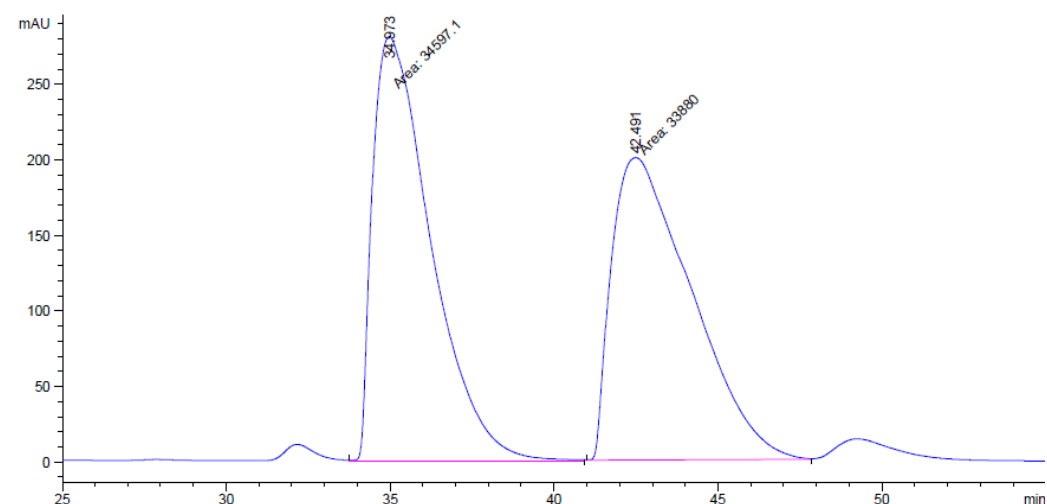
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[α]_D³³ : -67.3 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)

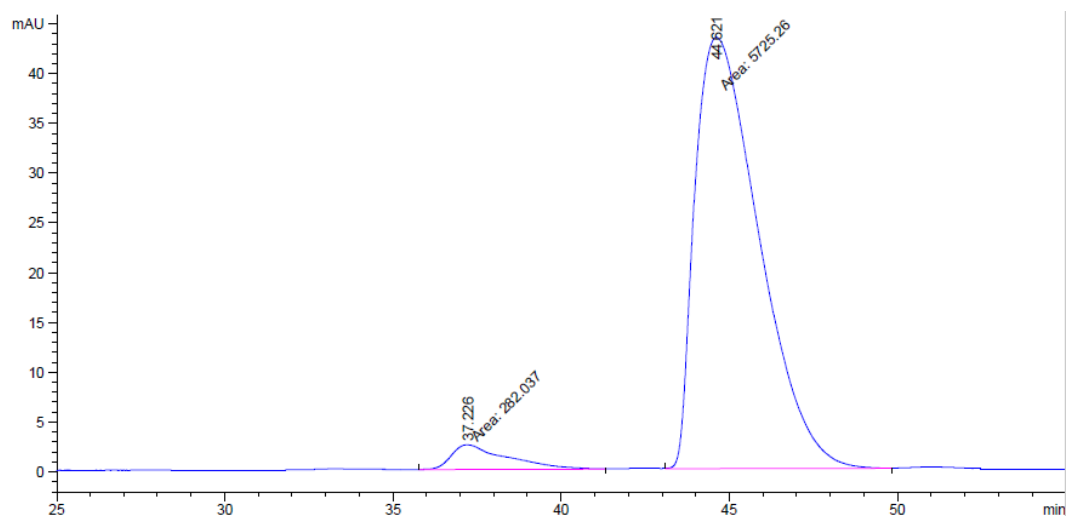
HPLC: (Chiralcel AS-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1.0 mL/min, 280 nm), *ee* = 91%.





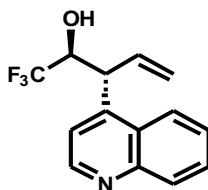


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1	34.973	MM	2.0553	3.45971e4	280.54898	50.5236
2	42.491	MM	2.8224	3.38800e4	200.06589	49.4764



Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	37.226	MM	1.9009	282.03705	2.47284	4.6949
2	44.621	MM	2.2037	5725.26025	43.30132	95.3051

(2*S*,3*R*)-1,1,1-trifluoro-3-(quinolin-4-yl)pent-4-en-2-ol (6.4l)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using fluoral hydrate (75% in H₂O, 22 μ L, 200 μ mol) and 1-(quinolin-4-yl)allyl acetate (91 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 3:1 \rightarrow 1:1) provided the title compound (44.7 mg, 168 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 84% yield as a light yellow solid.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.21 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 1:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.4 (d, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 1H), 7.9 – 7.9 (m, 1H), 7.6 – 7.5 (m, 1H), 7.5 – 7.4 (m, 2H), 7.4 (d, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 1H), 6.8 (s, 1H), 6.6 (dd, *J* = 17.7, 9.1 Hz, 1H), 5.4 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 5.2 (dt, *J* = 17.3, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 4.6 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 4.4 (dd, *J* = 7.1, 2.5 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 149.4, 147.9, 147.2, 132.8, 129.7, 129.1, 127.3, 125.8, 125.1 (q, *J* = 283.4 Hz), 122.4, 121.1, 120.3, 71.8 (q, *J* = 29.9 Hz), 44.3.

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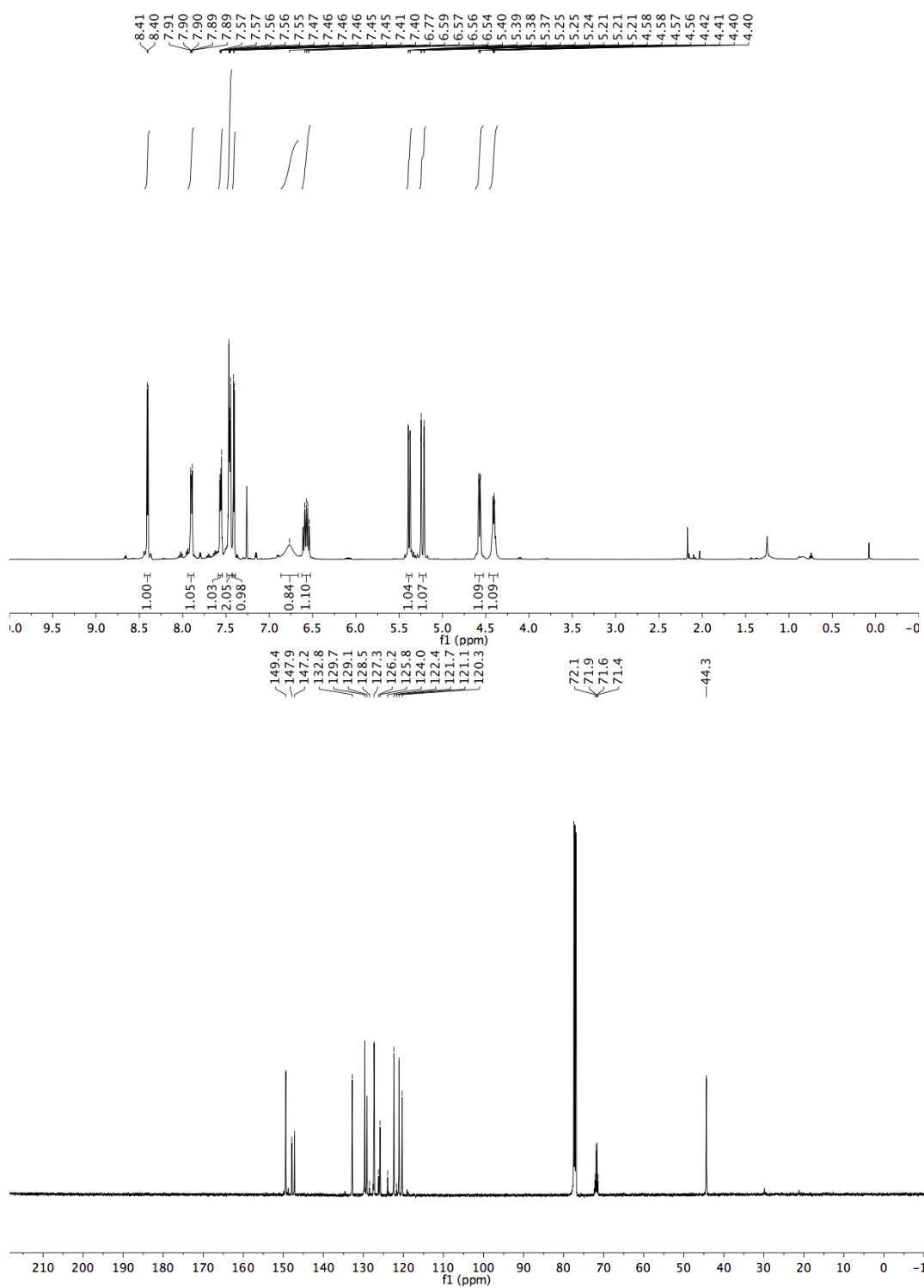
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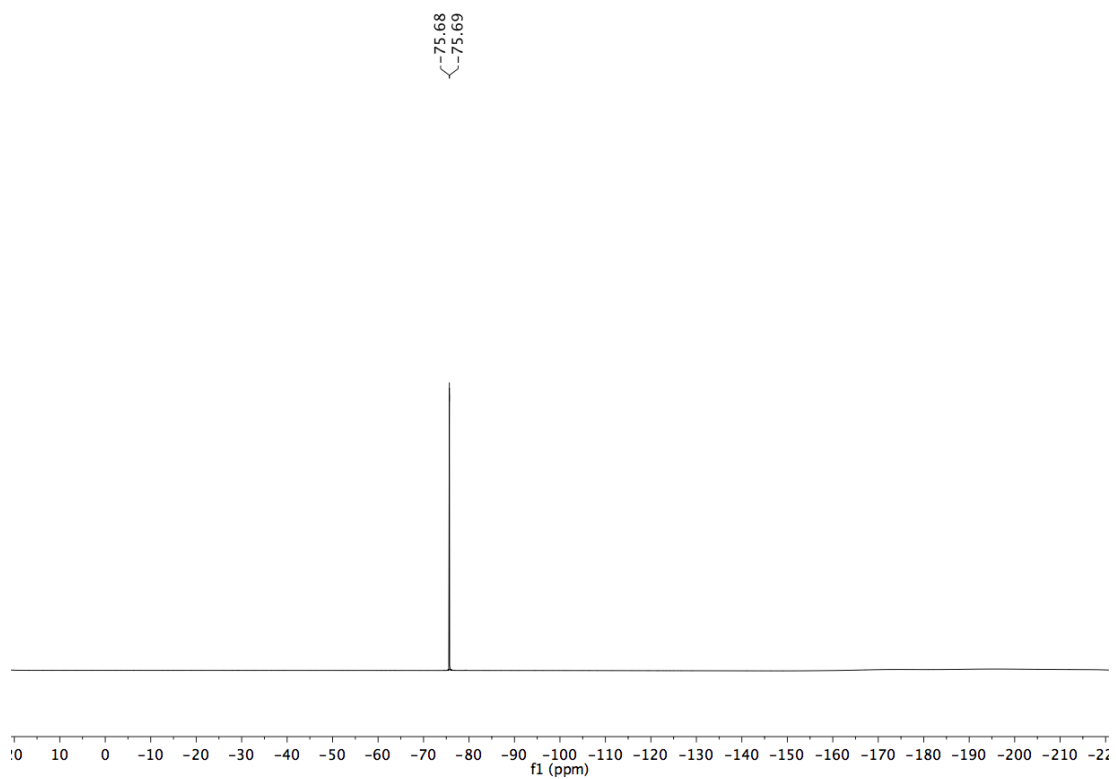
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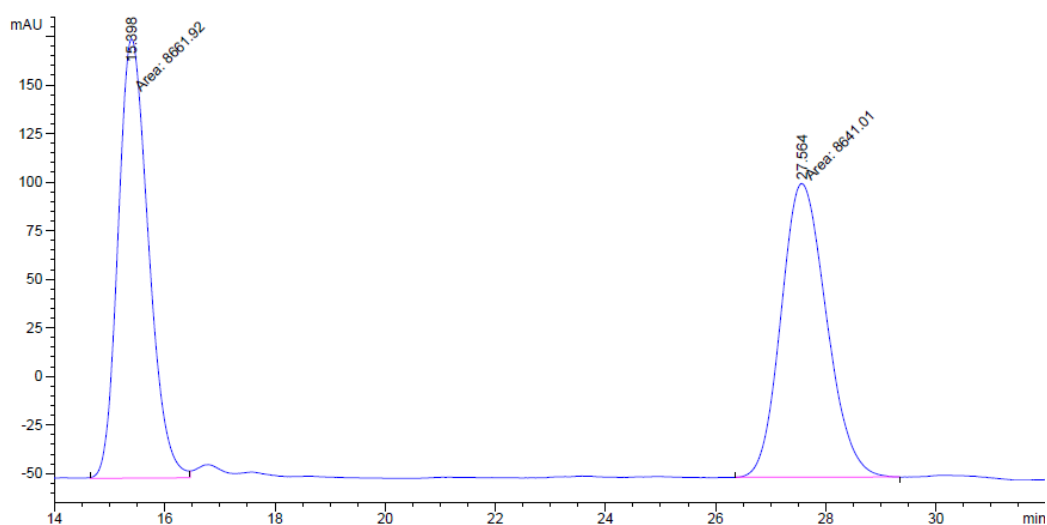
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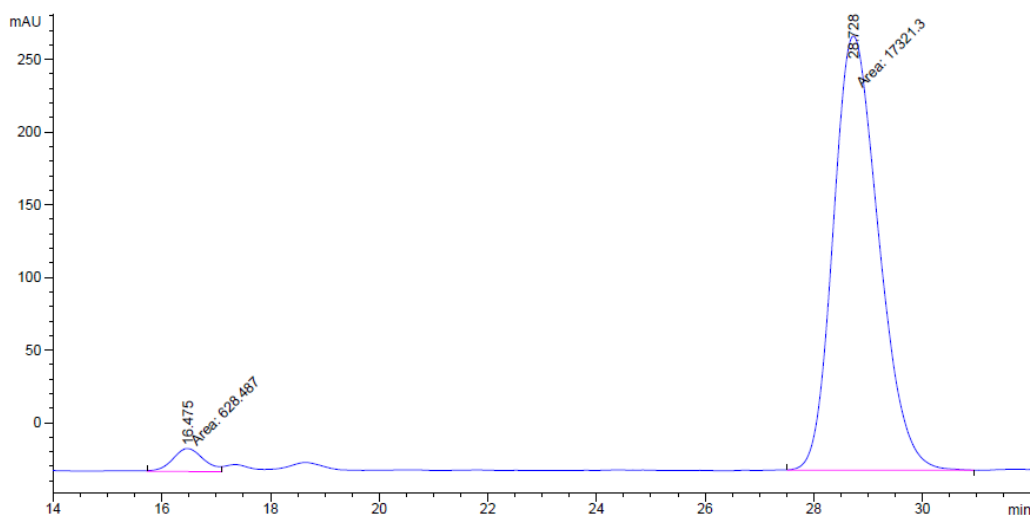
HPLC: (Chiralcel OD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm), *ee* = 93%.







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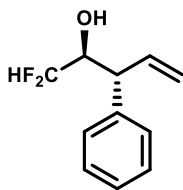


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2	28.728	MM	0.9663	1.73213e4	298.74704	96.4986

General Procedure and Spectral Data for Iridium Catalyzed *anti*-(α -Aryl)Allylation of Difluoroacetaldehyde Ethyl Hemiacetal 1j to form Products 6.5a-6.5l

A pressure tube was equipped with a magnetic stir bar and charged with preformed iridium catalyst (10.7 mg, 10 μ mol, 5 mol%), K₂CO₃ (27.6 mg, 0.20 mmol, 100 mol%), allyl donor (0.40 mmol, 200 mol%) and 5A molecular sieves (28 mg, 100 wt%). The pressure tube was purged with argon. Anhydrous THF (1.0 mL, 0.2 M), 2-propanol (31 μ L, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%), and difluoroacetaldehyde ethyl hemiacetal (90% in EtOH, 28 mg, 200 μ mol, 100 mol%) were added via syringe. The sealed reaction vessel was stirred at 100 °C. After 24 h the solvent was removed *in vacuo* and the residue was subjected to flash column chromatography on silica.

(2S,3R)-1,1-difluoro-3-phenylpent-4-en-2-ol (6.5a)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using difluoroacetaldehyde ethyl hemiacetal (90%, 28 mg, 200 μ mol) and 1-phenylallyl acetate (71 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 20:1 \rightarrow 10:1) provided the title compound (31.5 mg, 159 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 80% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.53 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.37–7.34 (m, 2H), 7.29–7.28 (m, 3H), 6.20 (dt, J = 17.8, 9.5 Hz, 1H), 5.54 (td, J = 55.6, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 5.29 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 5.23 (d, J = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 4.10 – 3.91 (m, 1H), 3.61 – 3.55 (m, 1H), 2.13 (s, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 139.6, 136.0, 129.1, 128.2, 127.5, 118.9, 115.2 (t, J = 243.2 Hz), 73.8 (dd, J = 23.1, 20.9 Hz), 51.0 (t, J = 3.6 Hz).

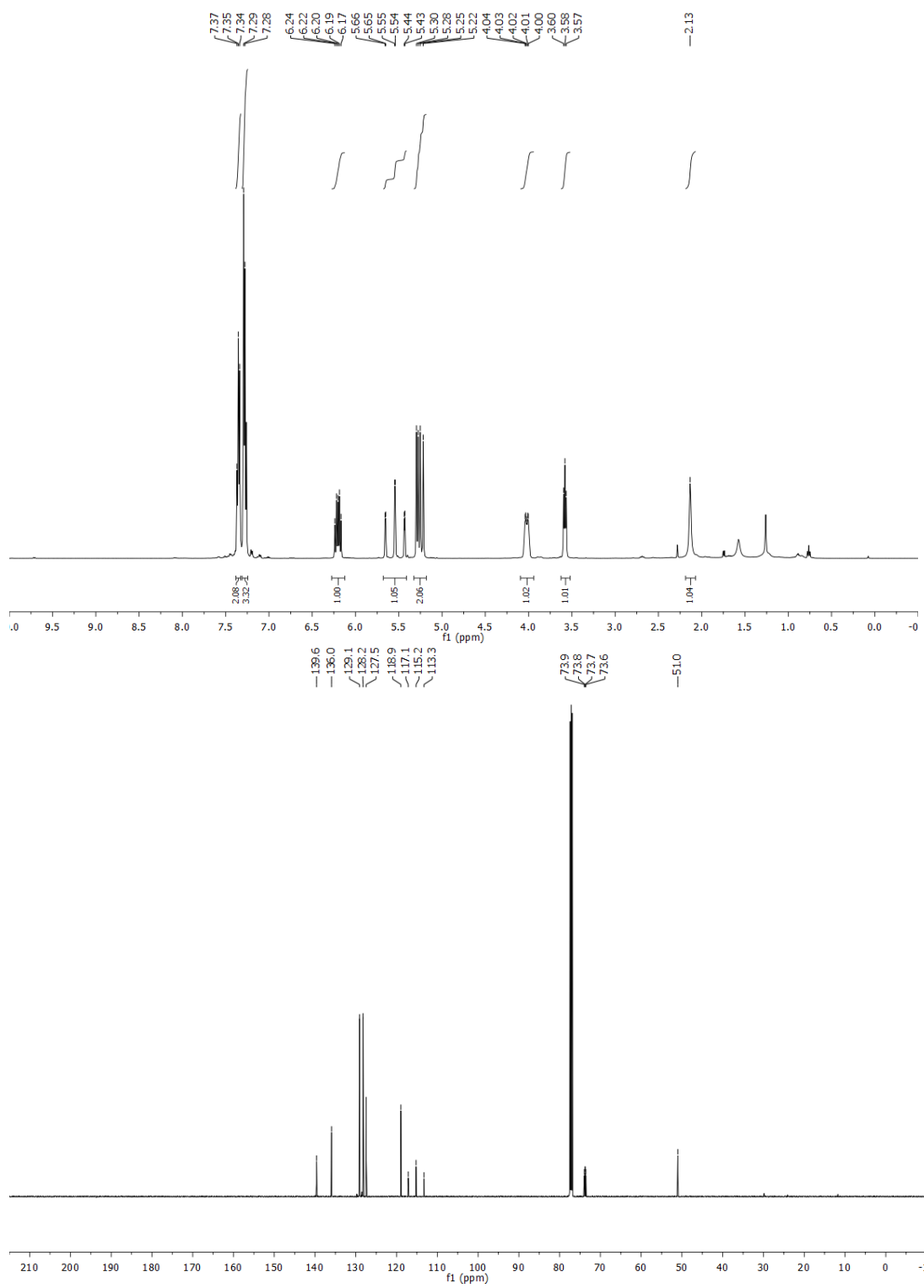
¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -129.2 (ddd, J = 286.4, 54.9, 6.0 Hz), -134.4 (ddd, J = 286.4, 56.0, 15.7 Hz).

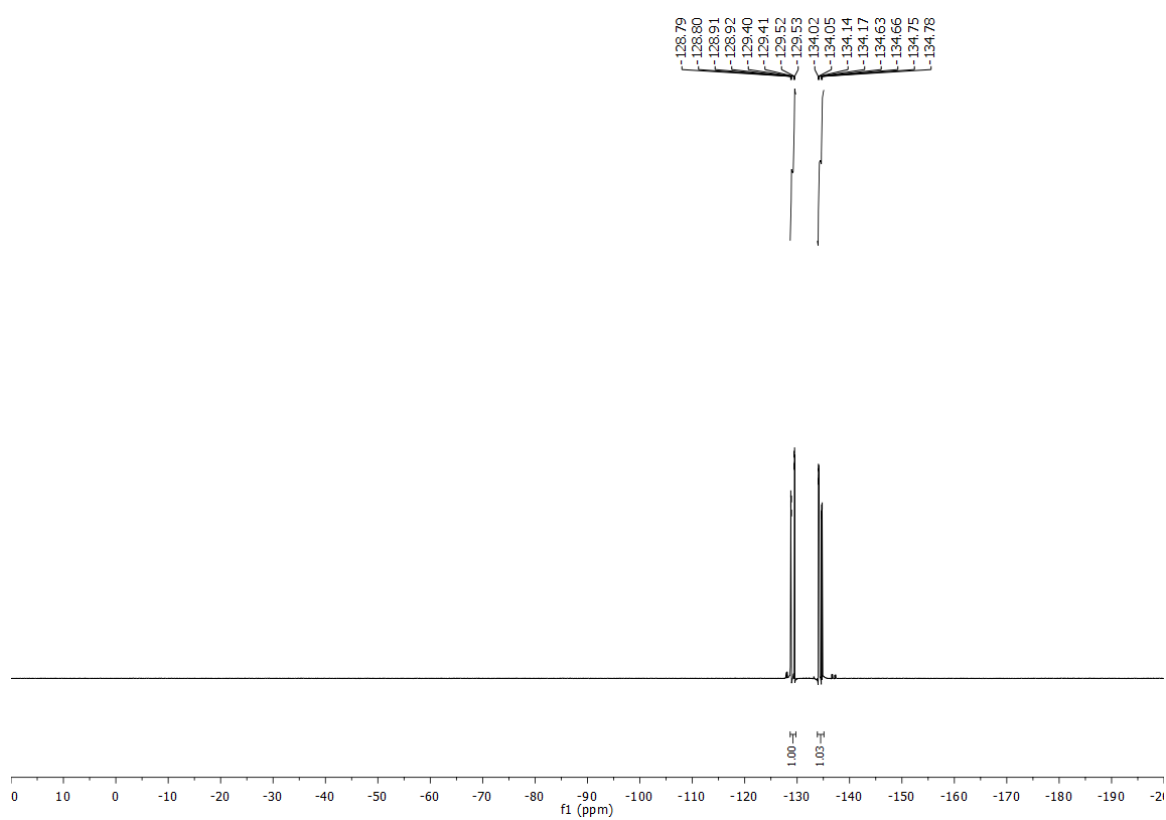
HRMS (CI) Calculated for C₁₁H₁₂F₂O [M]⁺ = 198.0856, Found 198.0852.

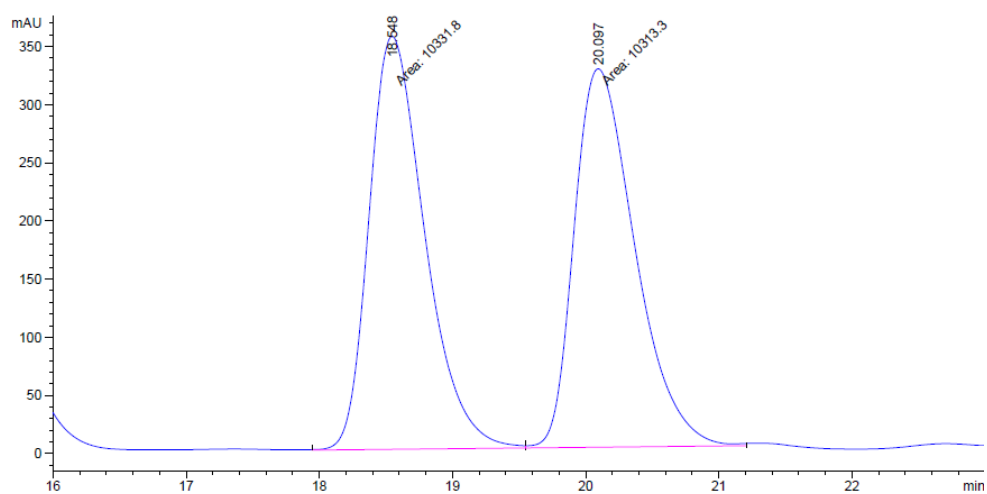
FTIR (neat) 3442, 3030, 2984, 2926, 1493, 1455, 1150, 1057, 926, 758, 701 cm⁻¹.

$[\alpha]_D^{33}$: -78.3 (c = 1.0, CHCl₃)

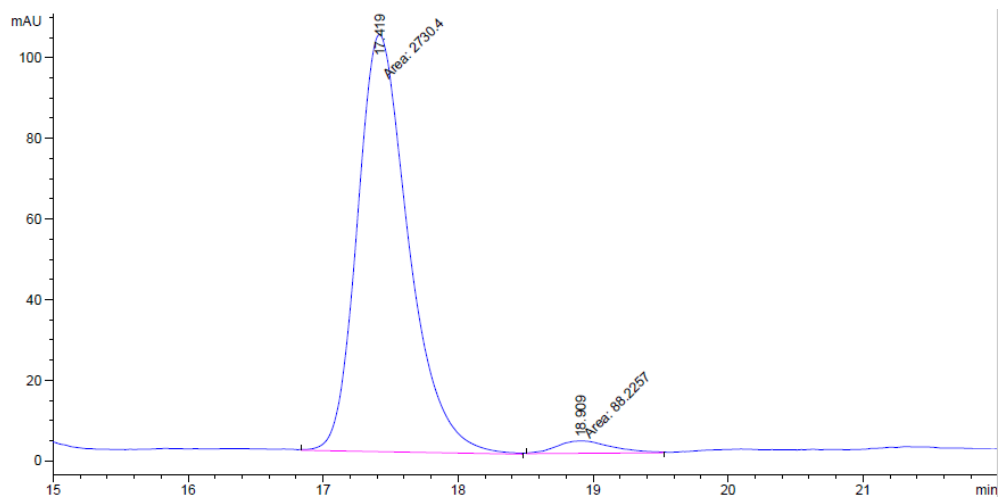
HPLC: (Chiralcel AS-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm), *ee* = 94%.





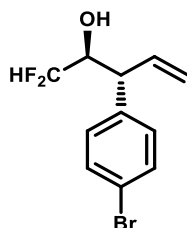


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2	20.097	FM	0.5282	1.03133e4	325.42999	49.9550



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1	17.419	MM	0.4398	2730.39600	103.46590	96.8699
2	18.909	MM	0.4780	88.22573	3.07628	3.1301

(2*S*,3*R*)-3-(4-Bromophenyl)-1,1-difluoropent-4-en-2-ol (6.5b)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using difluoroacetaldehyde ethyl hemiacetal (90%, 28 mg, 200 μ mol) and 1-(4-bromophenyl)allyl acetate (102 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 20:1) provided the title compound (46.6 mg, 168 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 84% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.17 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 10:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.50–7.45 (m, 2H), 7.20–7.16 (m, 2H), 6.16 (ddd, J = 17.1, 10.2, 8.7 Hz, 1H), 5.56 (ddd, J = 56.2, 54.9, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 5.29 (dd, J = 10.2, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (dt, J = 17.1, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.03–3.92 (m, 1H), 3.55 (dd, J = 8.7, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 2.20 (d, J = 4.5 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 138.8, 135.2, 132.1, 130.0, 121.3, 119.4, 115.2 (t, J = 243.6 Hz), 73.5 (dd, J = 23.7, 21.3 Hz), 50.1 (dd, J = 4.0, 3.1 Hz).

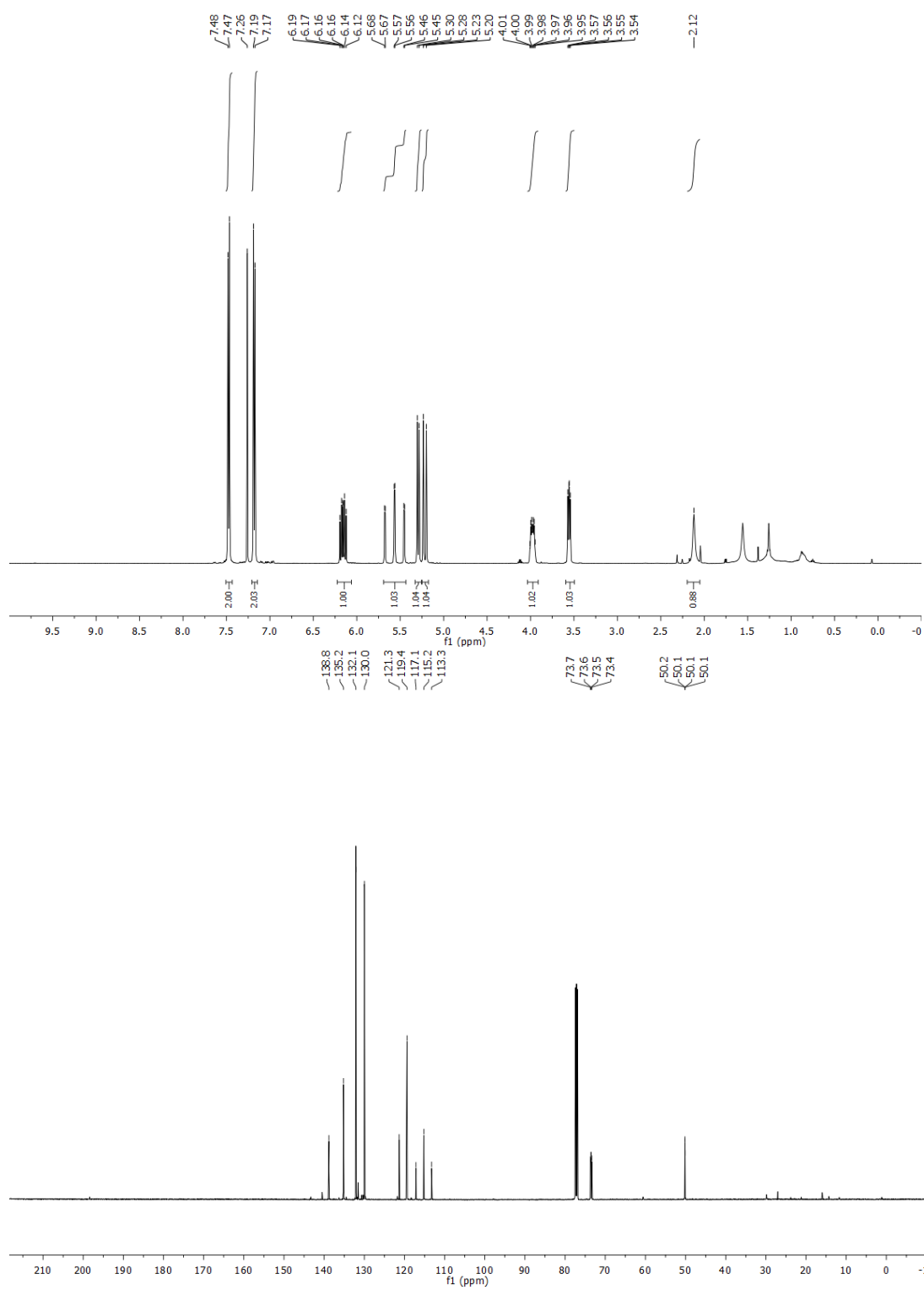
¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = –129.1 (ddd, J = 286.5, 55.0, 6.2 Hz), –133.5 (ddd, J = 287.6, 56.1, 14.7 Hz).

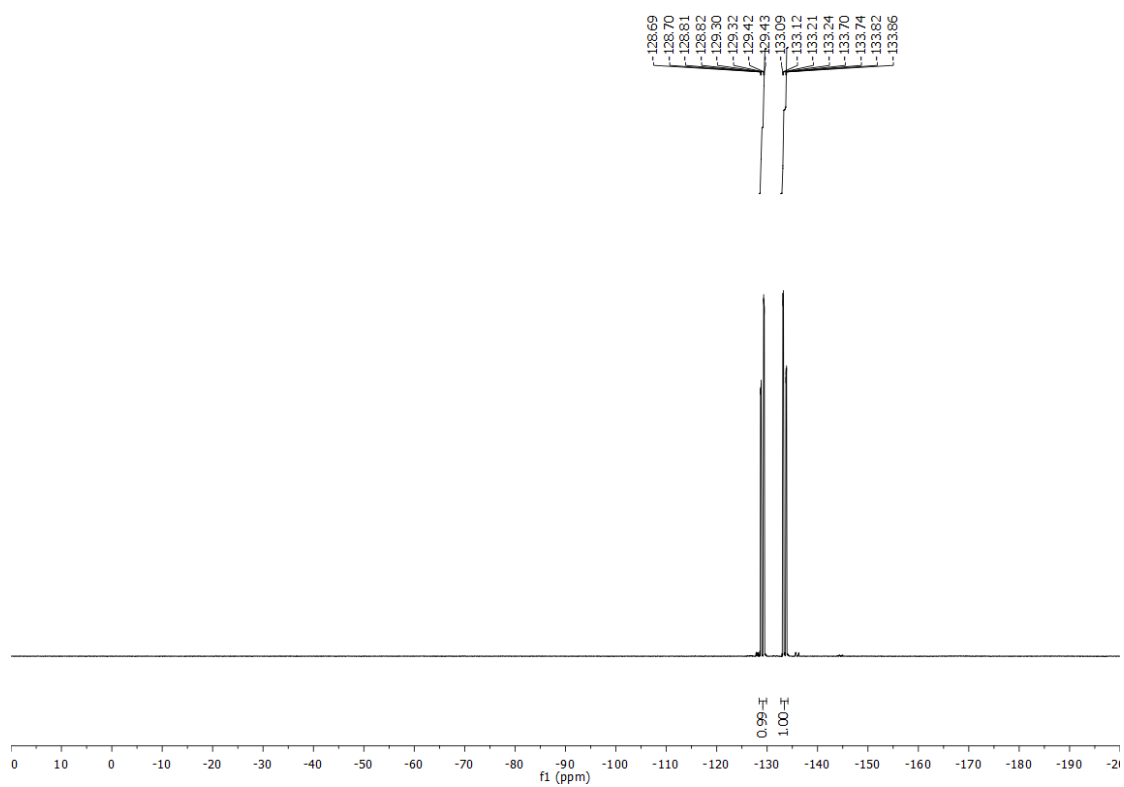
HRMS (CI) Calculated for C₁₁H₁₁⁷⁹BrF₂O [M]⁺ = 275.9961, Found 275.9954.

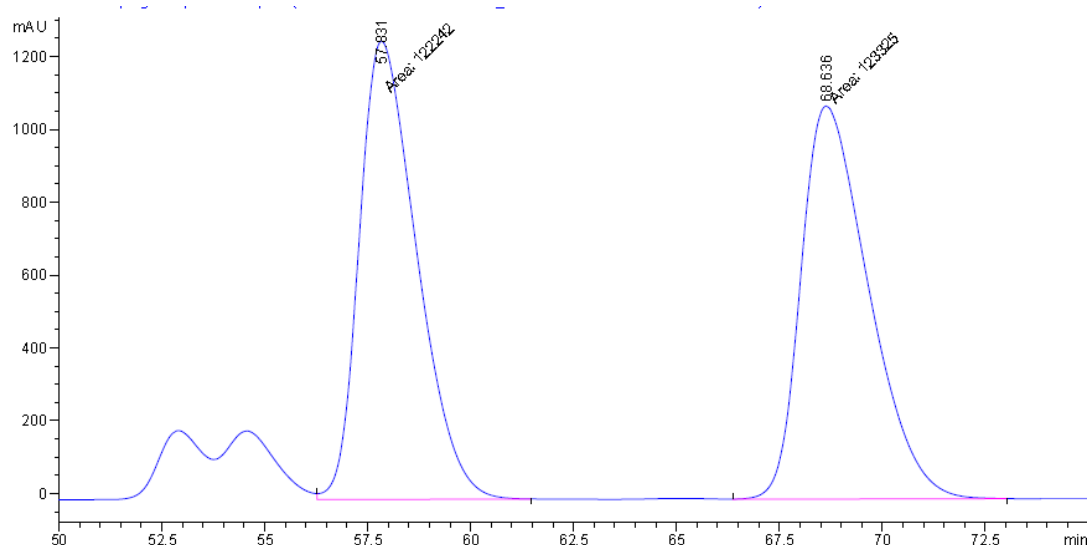
FTIR (neat) 3411, 2982, 2924, 1489, 1150, 1129, 1070, 1011, 929, 821, 760 cm^{–1}.

[α]_D³³ : –72.0 (c = 1.0, CHCl₃)

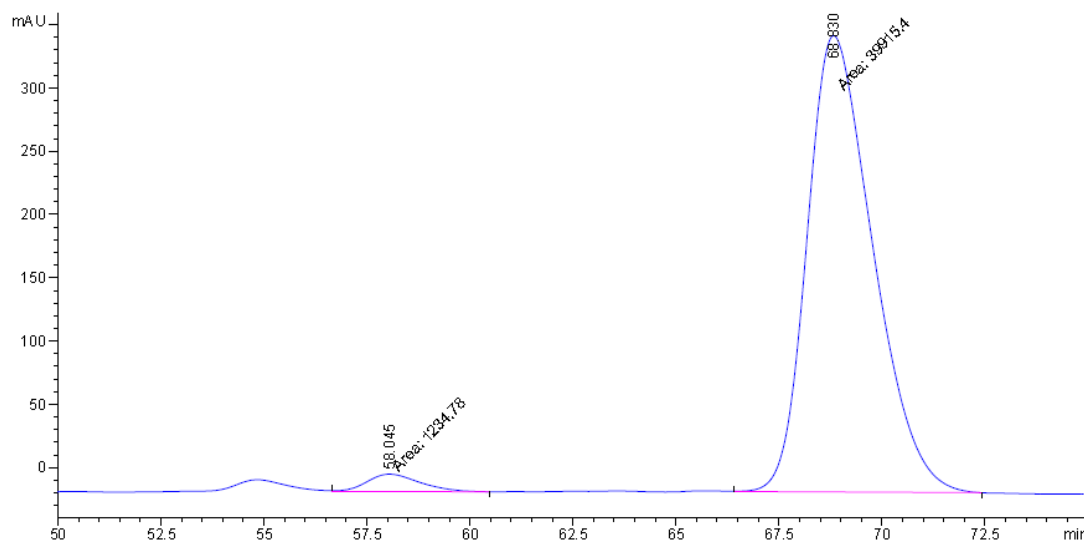
HPLC: (Chiralcel AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 0.5 mL/min, 210 nm), *ee* = 94%.





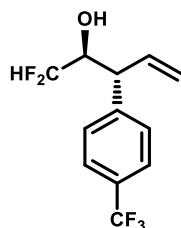


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2	68.636	MM	1.9040	1.23325e5	1079.52051	50.2205



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1	58.045	FM	1.4910	1234.77869	13.80225	3.0007
2	68.830	MM	1.8454	3.99154e4	360.48853	96.9993

(2*S*,3*R*)-1,1-Difluoro-3-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)pent-4-en-2-ol (6.5c)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using difluoroacetaldehyde ethyl hemiacetal (90%, 28 mg, 200 μ mol) and 1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)allyl acetate (98 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 10:1) provided the title compound (43.7 mg, 164 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 82% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.09 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 10:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.63–7.59 (m, 2H), 7.46–7.42 (m, 2H), 6.20 (ddd, J = 17.1, 10.2, 8.8 Hz, 1H), 5.59 (ddd, J = 56.3, 55.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 5.33 (dd, J = 10.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.24 (dt, J = 17.1, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (ddq, J = 14.1, 6.2, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.67 (dd, J = 8.8, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 2.20 (d, J = 4.6 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 144.0, 134.8, 129.7 (q, J = 32.5 Hz), 128.7, 125.9 (q, J = 3.7 Hz), 124.2 (q, J = 272.1 Hz), 119.8, 115.2 (t, J = 243.7 Hz), 73.5 (dd, J = 24.3, 21.6 Hz), 50.4 (dd, J = 4.6, 2.6 Hz).

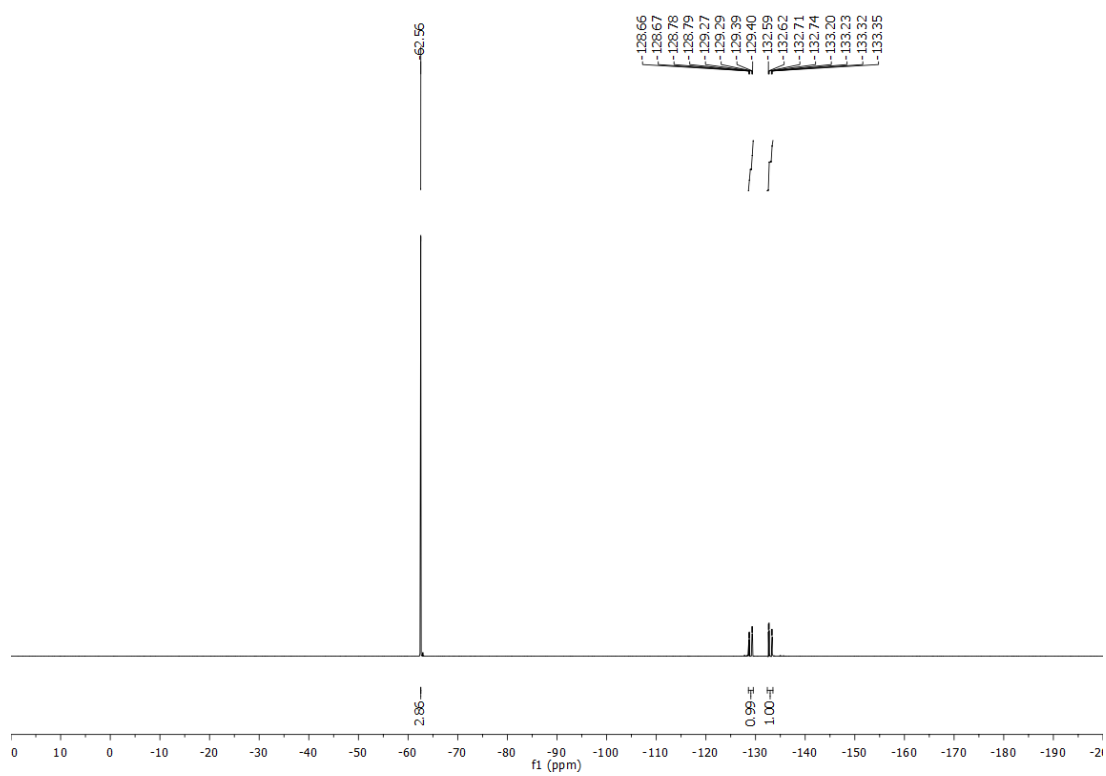
¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = –62.6, –129.0 (ddd, J = 288.7, 55.1, 6.4 Hz), –133.0 (ddd, J = 288.7, 56.3, 13.9 Hz).

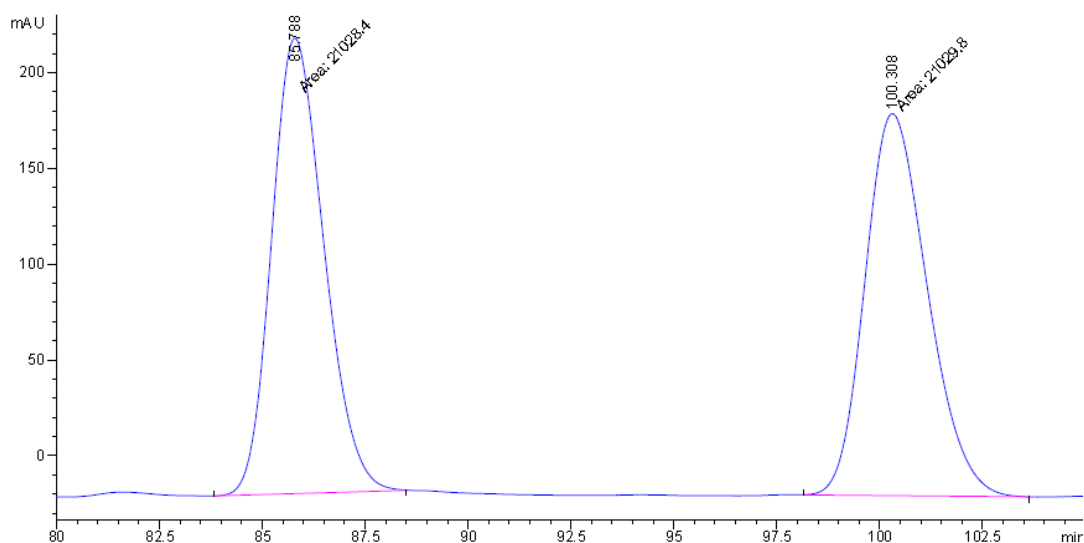
HRMS (CI) Calculated for C₁₂H₁₁F₅O [M]⁺ = 266.0730, Found 266.0726.

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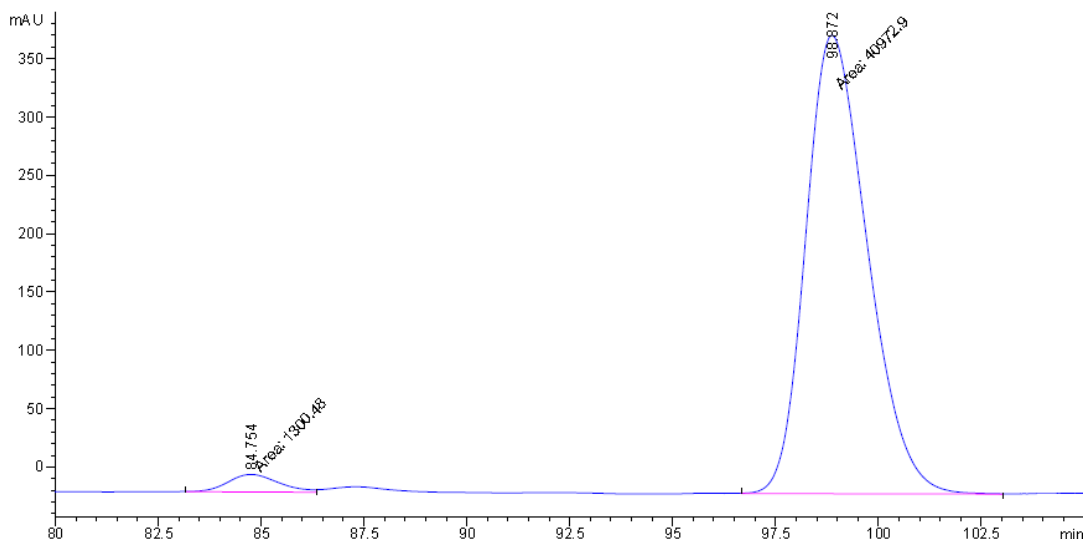
[α]_D³³ : –54.0 (c = 1.0, CHCl₃)

HPLC: (2 \times Chiralcel AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 0.5 mL/min, 210 nm), *ee* = 94%.



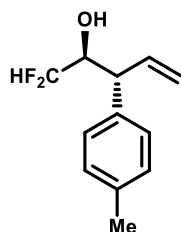


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2	100.308	MM	1.7586	2.10298e4	199.30756	50.0016



Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	84.754	MF	1.4389	1300.47583	15.06372	3.0763
2	98.872	MM	1.7377	4.09729e4	392.98737	96.9237

(2*S*,3*R*)-1,1-Difluoro-3-(*p*-tolyl)pent-4-en-2-ol (6.5d)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using difluoroacetaldehyde ethyl hemiacetal (90%, 28 mg, 200 μ mol) and 1-(*p*-tolyl)allyl acetate (76 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 15:1) provided the title compound (31.7 mg, 149 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 75% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.21 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 10:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.17 (s, 4H), 6.18 (ddd, J = 17.2, 10.3, 8.7 Hz, 1H), 5.54 (ddd, J = 56.0, 54.8, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 5.27 (dd, J = 10.3, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.23 (dt, J = 17.2, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.05–3.95 (m, 1H), 3.57–3.51 (m, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 2.11 (d, J = 4.6 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 137.2, 136.5, 136.2, 129.8, 128.0, 118.7, 115.2 (t, J = 243.1 Hz), 73.7 (dd, J = 22.9, 20.7 Hz), 50.7, 21.2.

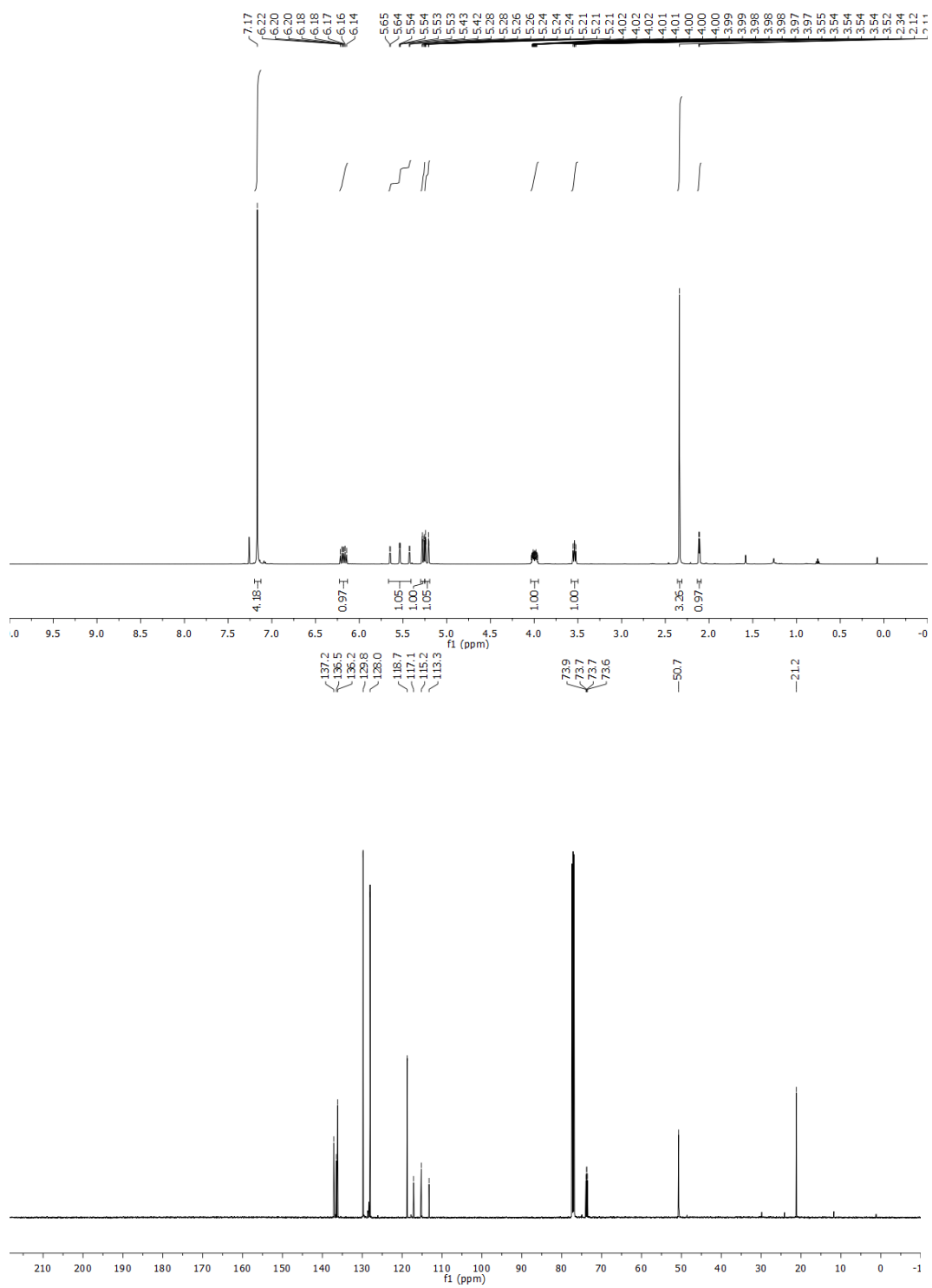
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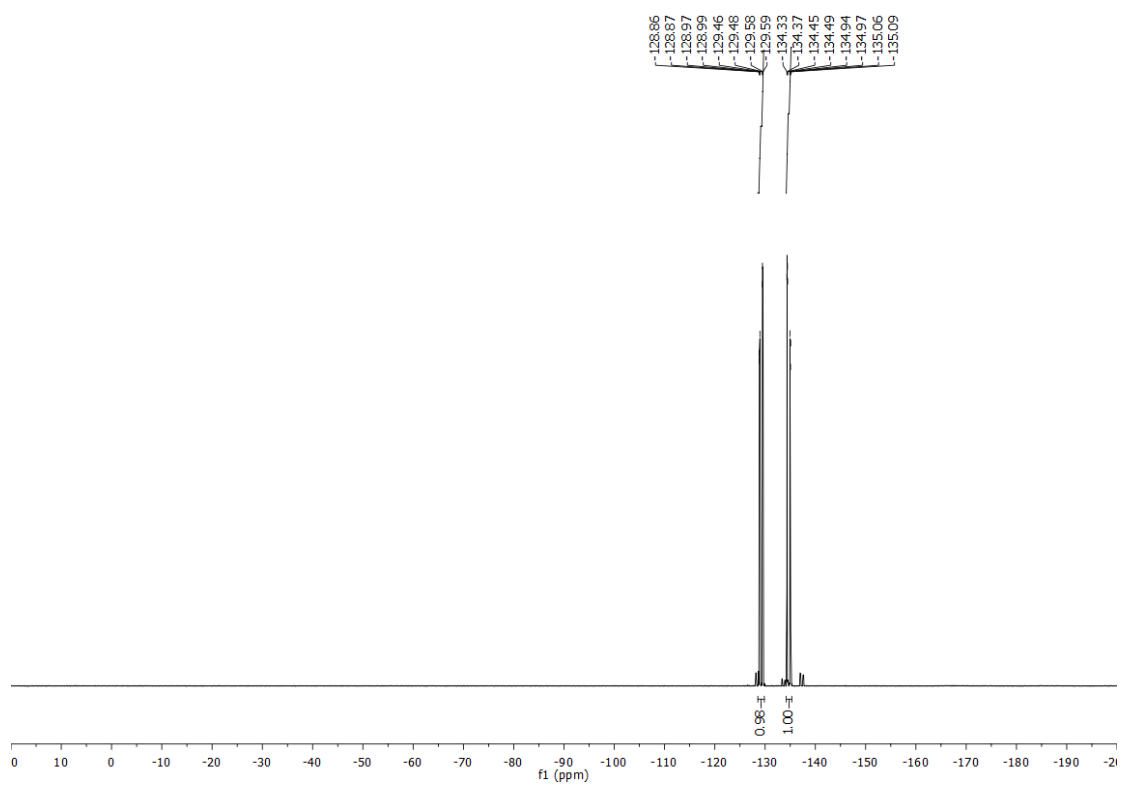
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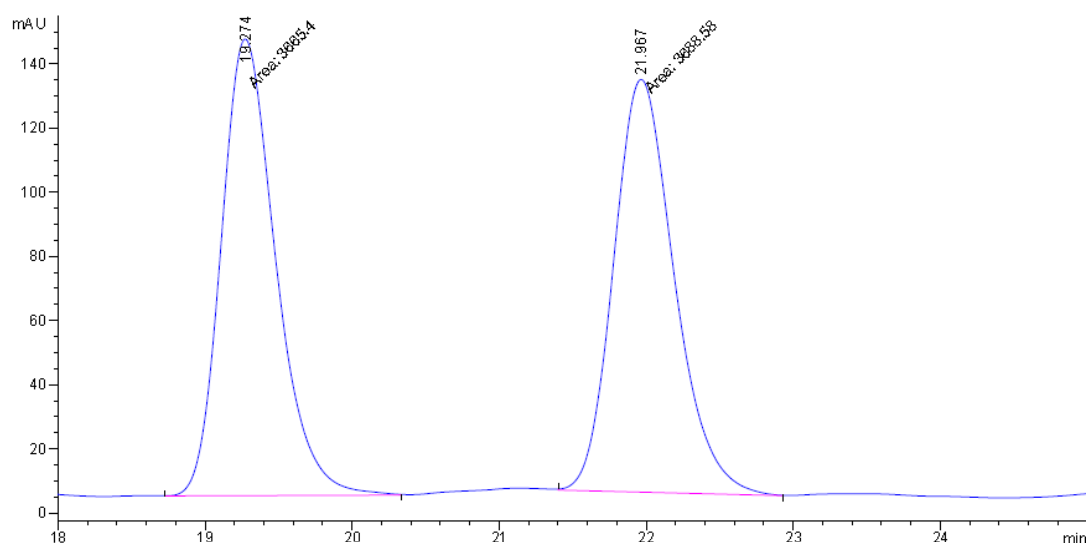
FTIR (neat) 3411, 2981, 2924, 1514, 1150, 1127, 1057, 1001, 925, 816, 760 cm^{–1}.

[α]_D³³ : –68.3 (c = 1.0, CHCl₃)

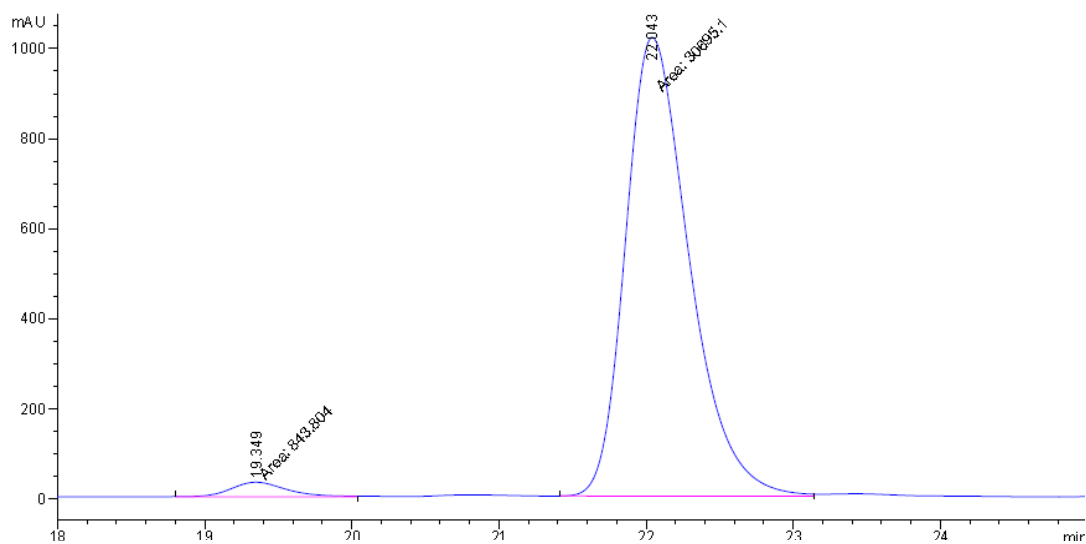
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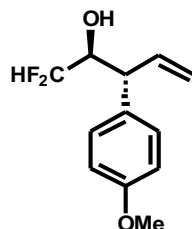


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1	19.274	MM	0.4291	3665.40405	142.37234	49.8424
2	21.967	MM	0.4777	3688.58081	128.68335	50.1576



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1	19.349	MM	0.4376	843.80371	32.13876	2.6754
2	22.043	MM	0.5019	3.06951e4	1019.36761	97.3246

(2*S*,3*R*)-1,1-difluoro-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)pent-4-en-2-ol (6.5e)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using difluoroacetaldehyde ethyl hemiacetal (90%, 28 mg, 200 μ mol) and 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)allyl acetate (82.4 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 20:1-10:1) provided the title compound (37.2 mg, 164 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 82% yield as a white solid.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.26 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 4:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.20 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.89 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.17 (ddd, J = 17.1, 10.2, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 5.53 (ddd, J = 55.9, 54.8, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 5.29 – 5.16 (m, 2H), 3.97 (dddt, J = 16.2, 8.3, 6.3, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.56 – 3.49 (m, 1H), 2.23 (d, J = 4.6 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 158.8, 136.3, 131.5, 129.2, 118.5 (dd, J = 243.5, 25.1 Hz), 115.2 (t, J = 243.3 Hz), 114.4, 73.8 (dd, J = 22.9, 20.7 Hz), 55.4, 50.2 (t, J = 3.7 Hz).

¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -129.19 (ddd, J = 285.6, 55.0, 5.8 Hz), -134.65 (ddd, J = 286.0, 56.0, 16.3 Hz).

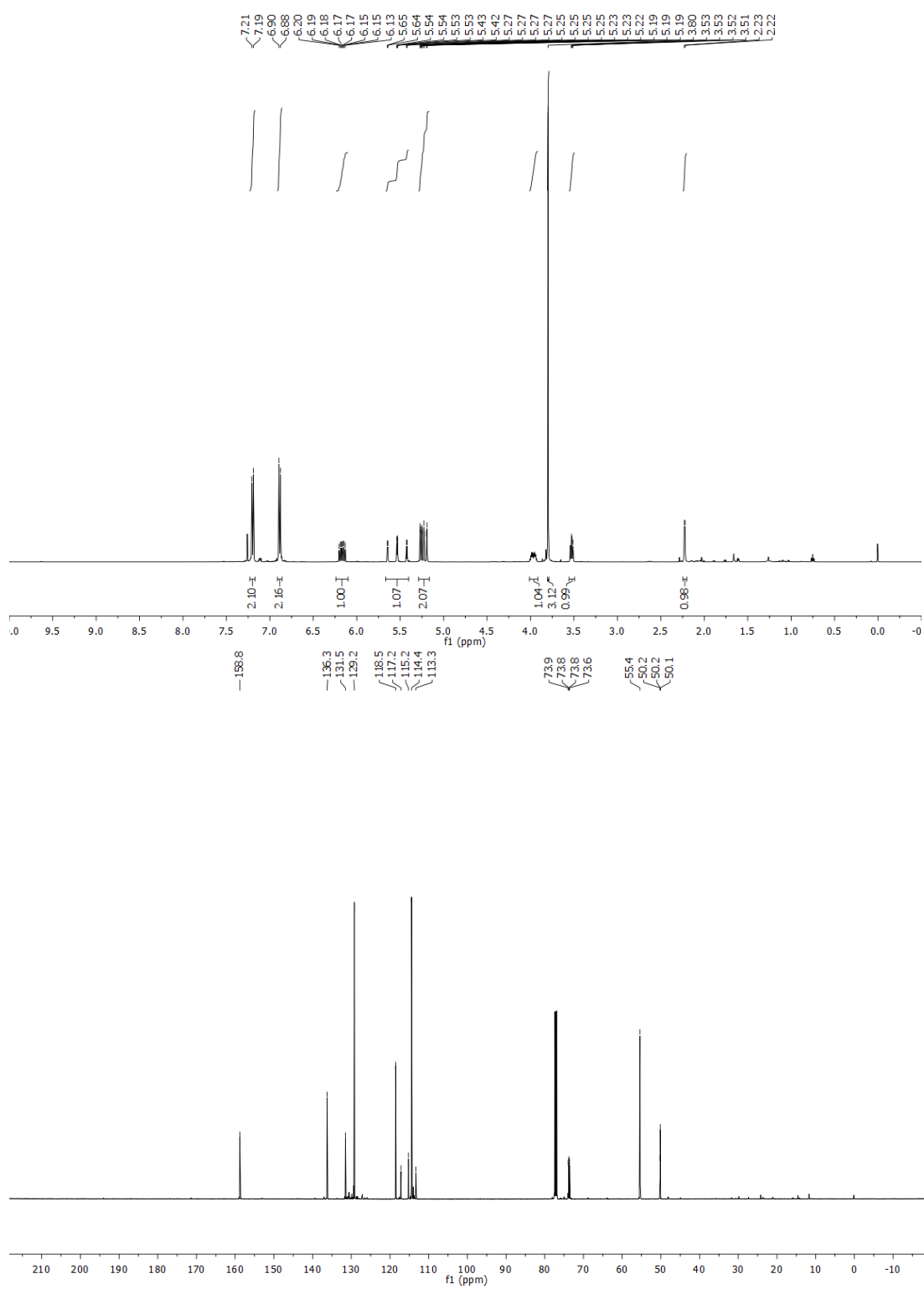
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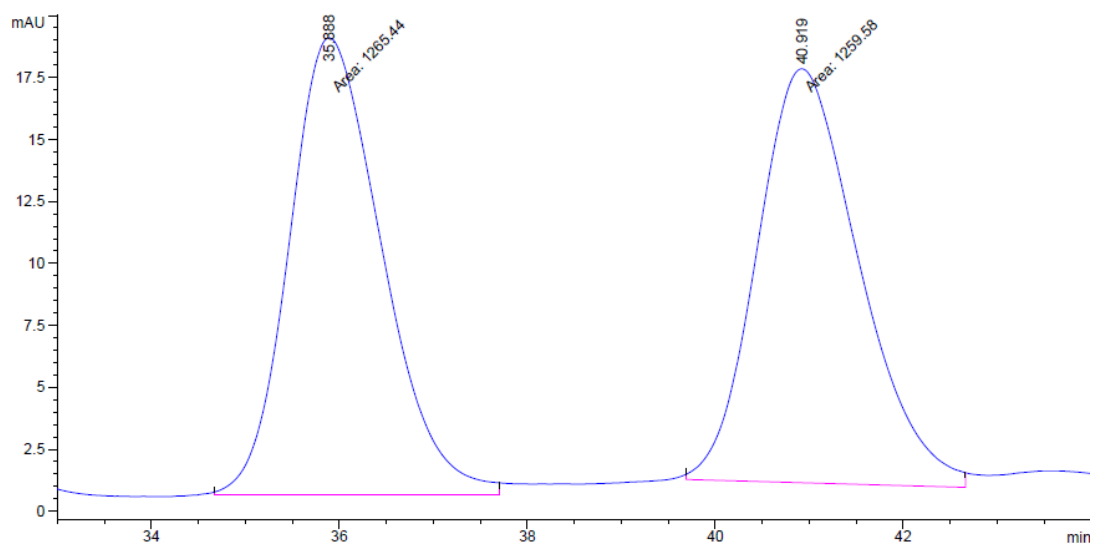
[α]_D³³ : -70.5 (c = 1.0, CHCl₃)

MP: 83-84°C.

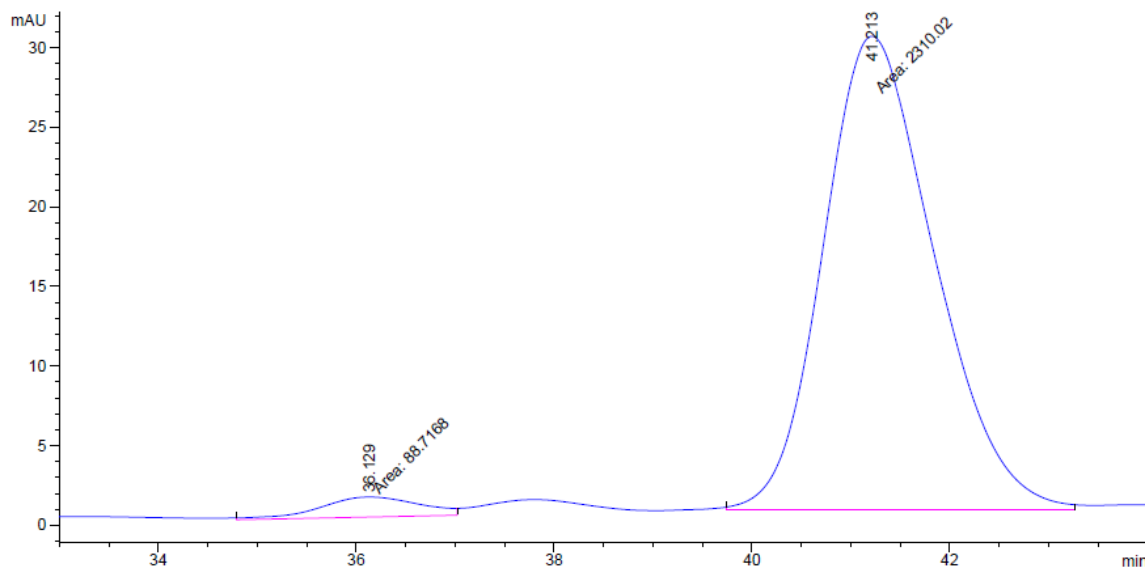
HPLC: (Chiralcel AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm), *ee* = 93%.





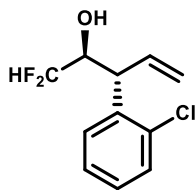


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1	35.888	MM	1.1427	1265.43823	18.45711	50.1160
2	40.919	MM	1.2569	1259.57983	16.70190	49.8840



Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	36.129	MF	1.1742	88.71684	1.25924	3.6985
2	41.213	MM	1.2962	2310.01831	29.70327	96.3015

(2S,3R)-3-(2-chlorophenyl)-1,1-difluoropent-4-en-2-ol (6.5f)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using difluoroacetaldehyde ethyl hemiacetal (90%, 27.9 mg, 199 μ mol) and 1-(2-chlorophenyl)allyl acetate (84 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 20:1 \rightarrow 10:1) provided the title compound (35.1 mg, 151 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 76% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.57 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.43 (dd, J = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.29 – 7.25 (m, 1H), 7.21 (td, J = 7.6, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 6.23 (ddd, J = 17.1, 10.2, 8.7 Hz, 1H), 5.64 (ddd, J = 56.4, 55.0, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 5.32 (dd, J = 10.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.25 (dt, J = 17.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (dd, J = 8.8, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (ddq, J = 14.0, 6.6, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.16 (d, J = 4.9 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 137.6, 134.1, 133.5, 130.1, 129.9, 128.5, 127.2, 120.0, 115.4 (t, J = 243.8 Hz), 72.6 (dd, J = 24.7, 21.5 Hz), 46.3 (dd, J = 4.7, 2.7 Hz).

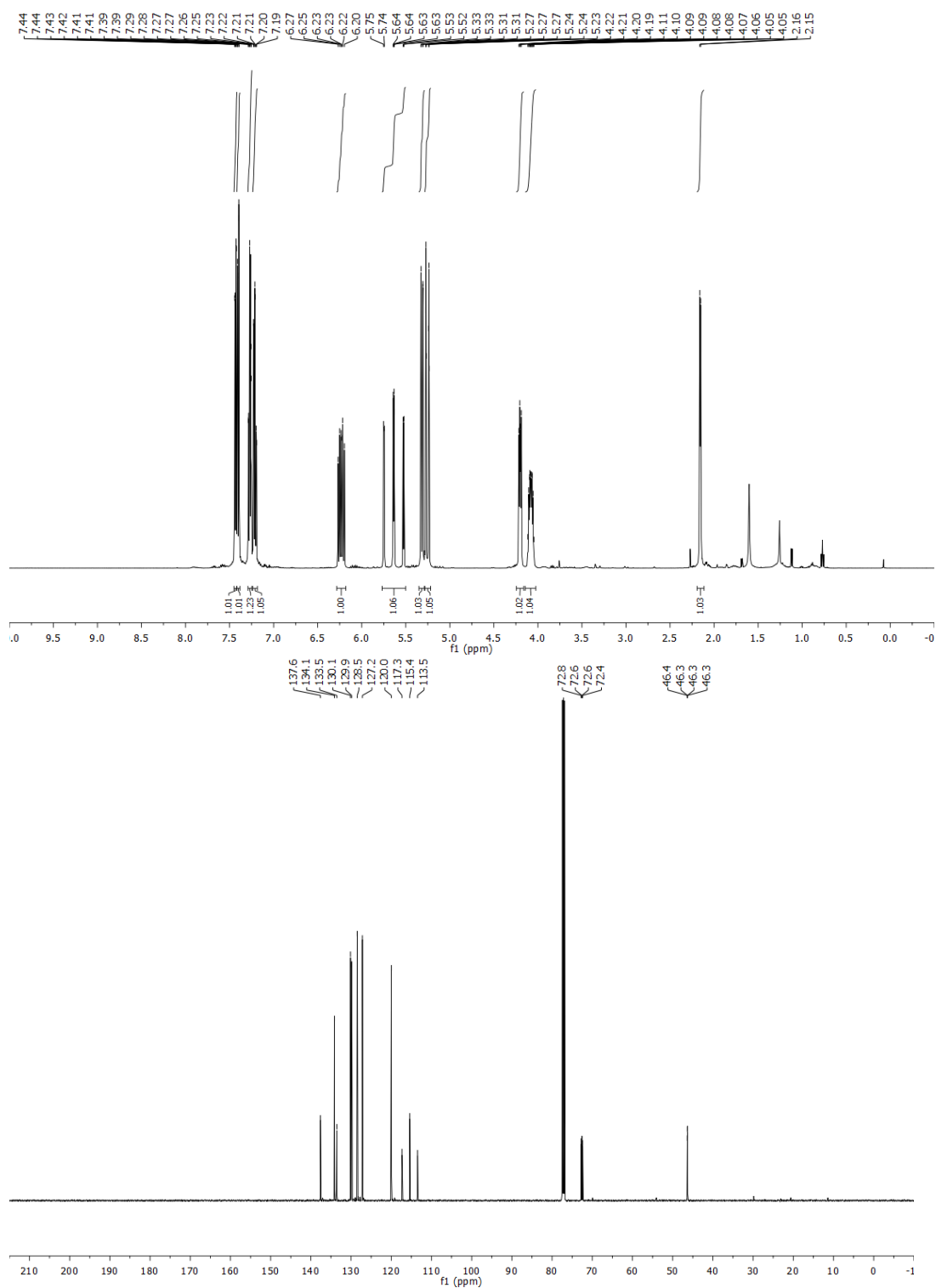
¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -128.6 (ddd, J = 288.0, 55.0, 6.6 Hz), -132.0 (ddd, J = 288.0, 56.5, 13.5 Hz).

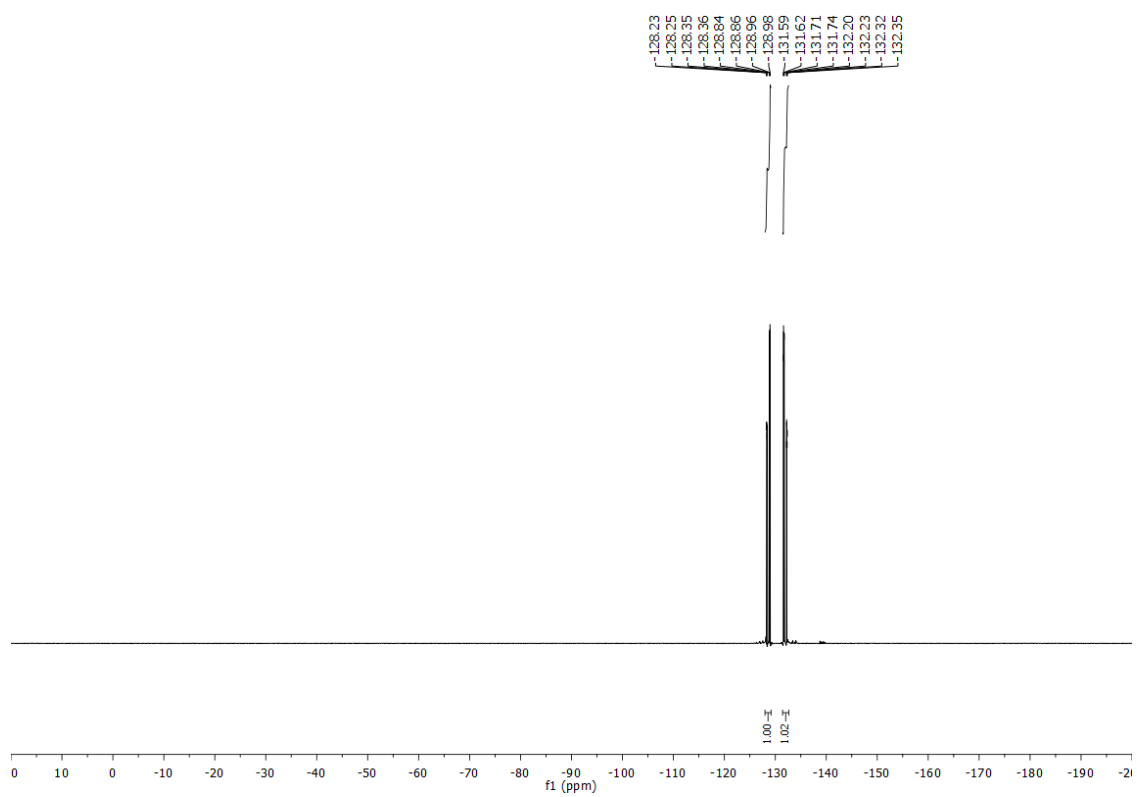
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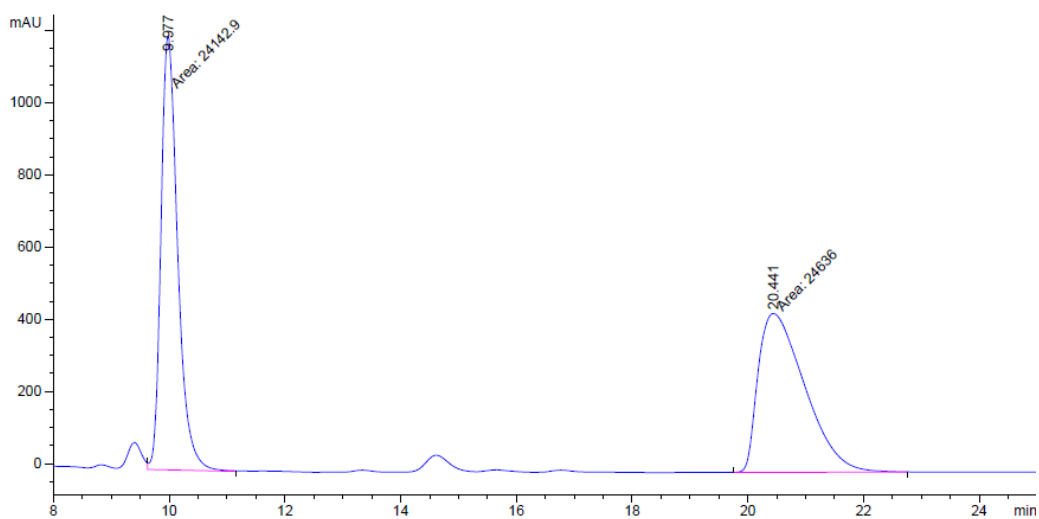
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$[\alpha]_D^{27}$: -44.3 (c = 1.0, CHCl₃)

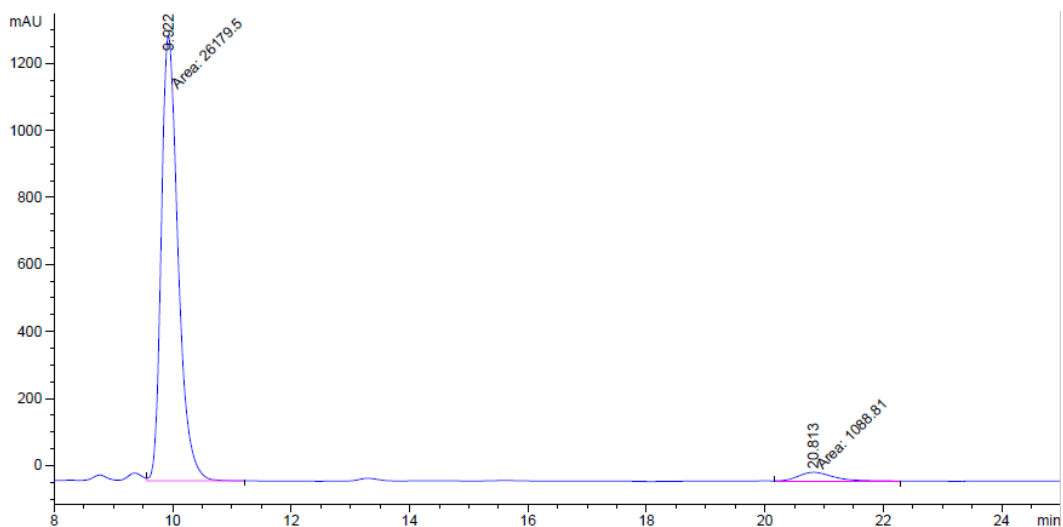
HPLC: (Chiralcel AS-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 97:3, 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm), *ee* = 92%.





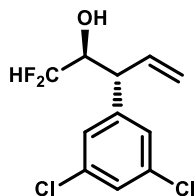


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2	20.441	MM	0.9332	2.46360e4	439.98474	50.5054



Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	9.922	FM	0.3286	2.61795e4	1327.65588	96.0070
2	20.813	MM	0.6958	1088.81360	26.08039	3.9930

(2S,3R)-3-(3,5-dichlorophenyl)-1,1-difluoropent-4-en-2-ol (6.5g)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using difluoroacetaldehyde ethyl hemiacetal (90%, 28 mg, 200 μ mol) and 1-(3,5-dichlorophenyl)allyl acetate (98 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 20:1) provided the title compound (43 mg, 160 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 77% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.38 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 9:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.28 (t, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 2H), 6.13 (dt, J = 17.3, 9.6 Hz, 1H), 5.61 (ddd, J = 56.3, 55.3, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 5.29 (dd, J = 43.7, 13.7 Hz, 2H), 4.03 – 3.93 (m, 1H), 3.55 (dd, J = 8.8, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 2.21 (s, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 143.30, 135.34, 133.52, 127.70, 126.83, 125.65, 123.39, 120.84, 73.41 (dd, J = 24.8, 22.0 Hz), 49.90 (dd, J = 4.9, 2.3 Hz).

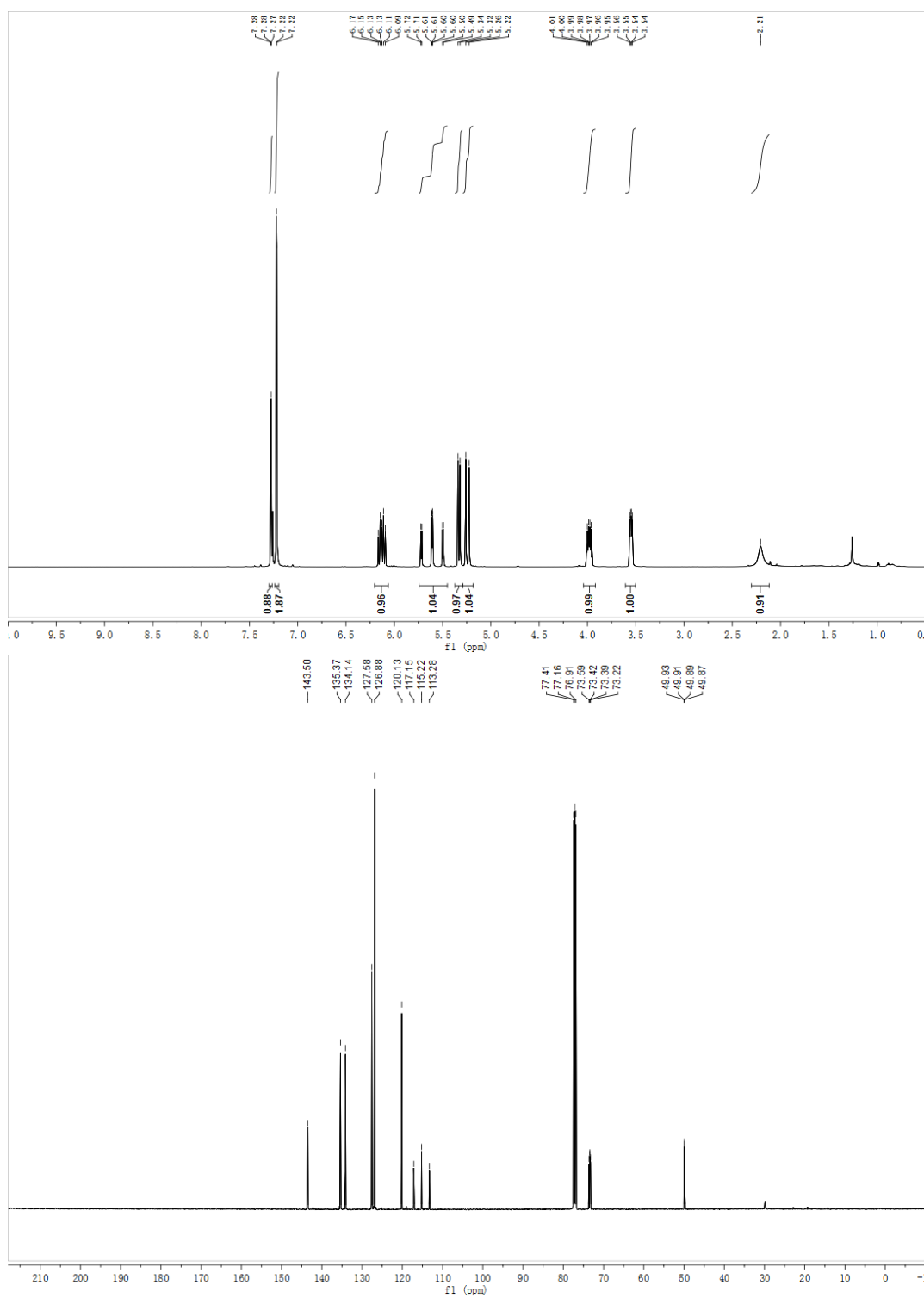
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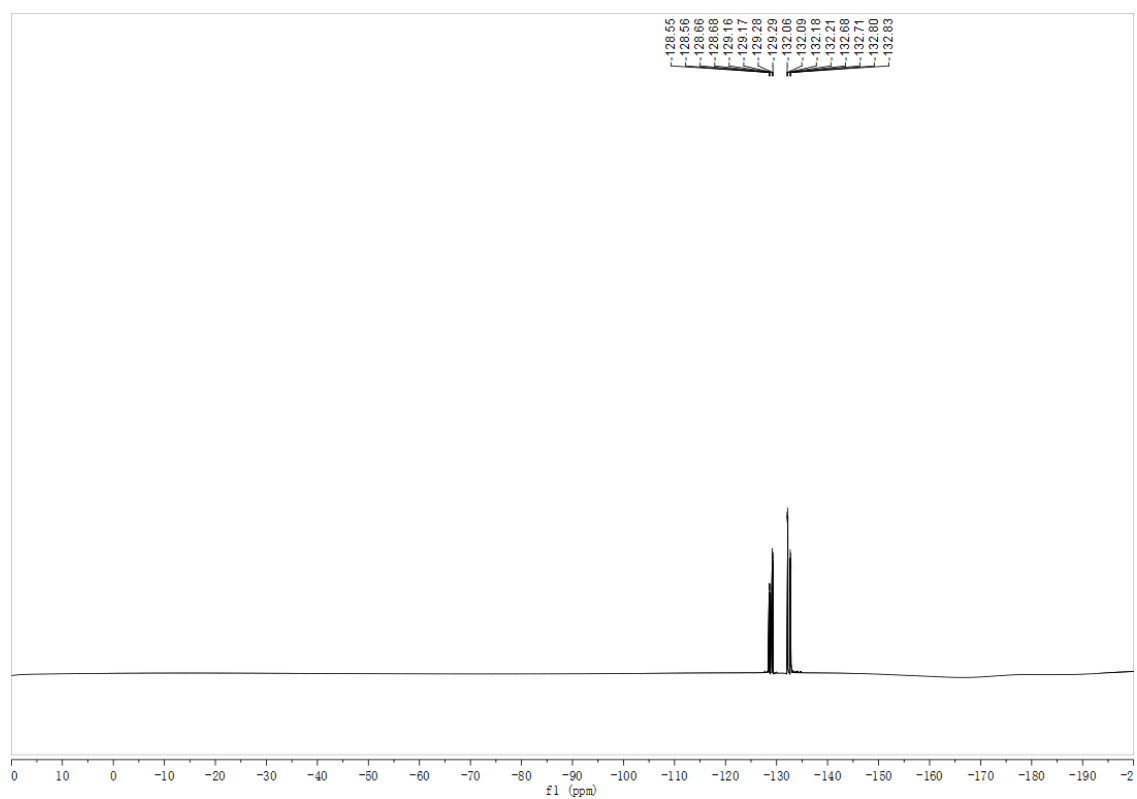
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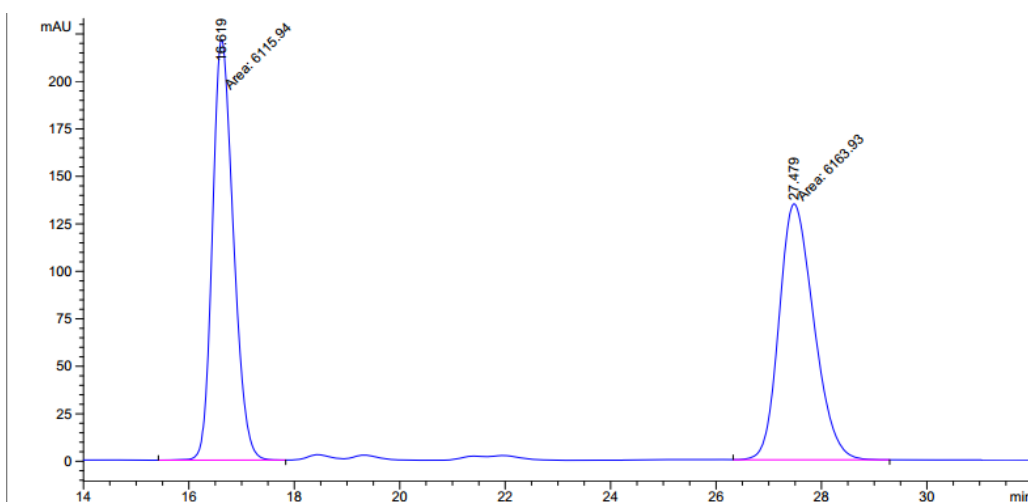
FTIR (neat) 3432, 3083, 2984, 1567, 1433, 1059, 858, 759, 681 cm⁻¹.

[α]_D³³ : -83.3 (c = 1.2, CHCl₃)

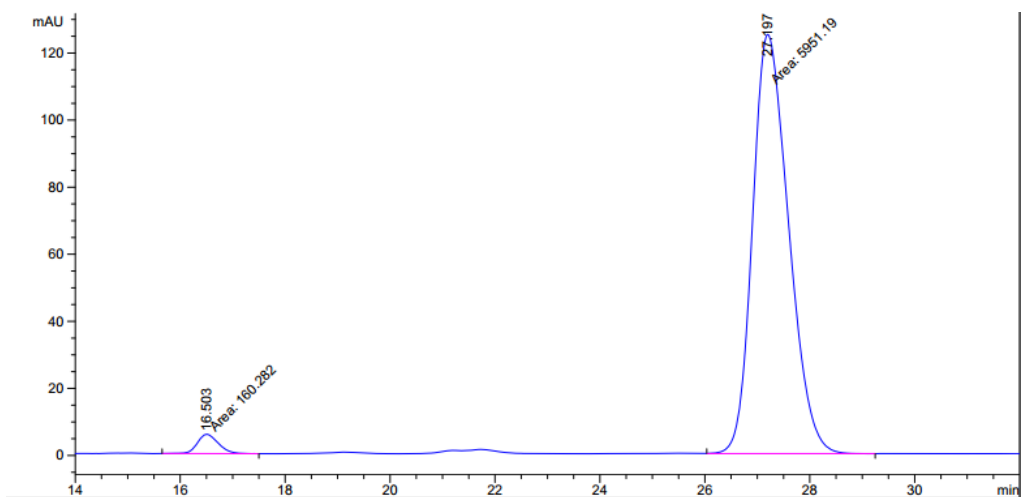
HPLC: (Chiralcel AS-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm), *ee* = 95%.





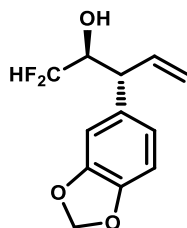


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1	16.503	MM	0.4642	160.28223	5.75497	2.6226
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(2*S*,3*R*)-3-(Benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-1,1-difluoropent-4-en-2-ol (6.5h)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using difluoroacetaldehyde ethyl hemiacetal (90%, 28 mg, 200 μ mol) and 1-(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)allyl acetate (88 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 10:1) provided the title compound (43.0 mg, 178 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 89% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.13 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 10:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 6.80–6.77 (m, 2H), 6.73 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.13 (ddd, J = 17.1, 10.2, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 5.95 (s, 2H), 5.55 (ddd, J = 56.0, 54.8, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 5.28–5.25 (m, 1H), 5.22 (dt, J = 17.1, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.00–3.91 (m, 1H), 3.52–3.46 (m, 1H), 2.14 (d, J = 4.5 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 148.1, 146.8, 136.0, 133.3, 121.3, 118.7, 115.2 (t, J = 243.2 Hz), 108.8, 108.5, 101.3, 73.8 (dd, J = 23.1, 20.8 Hz), 50.6 (t, J = 3.7 Hz).

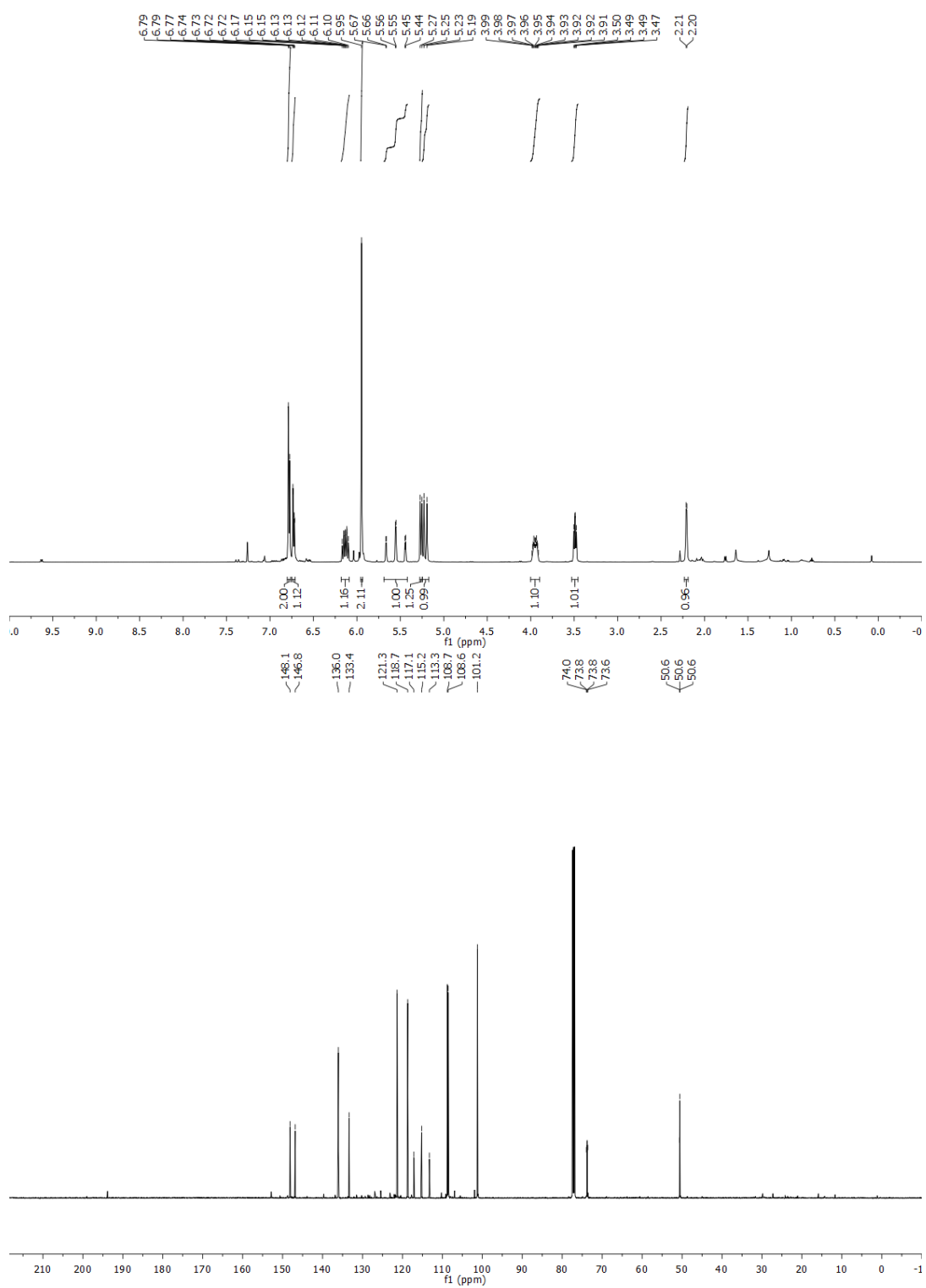
¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = –129.2 (ddd, J = 286.1, 54.7, 5.9 Hz), –134.6 (ddd, J = 286.2, 56.0, 15.8 Hz).

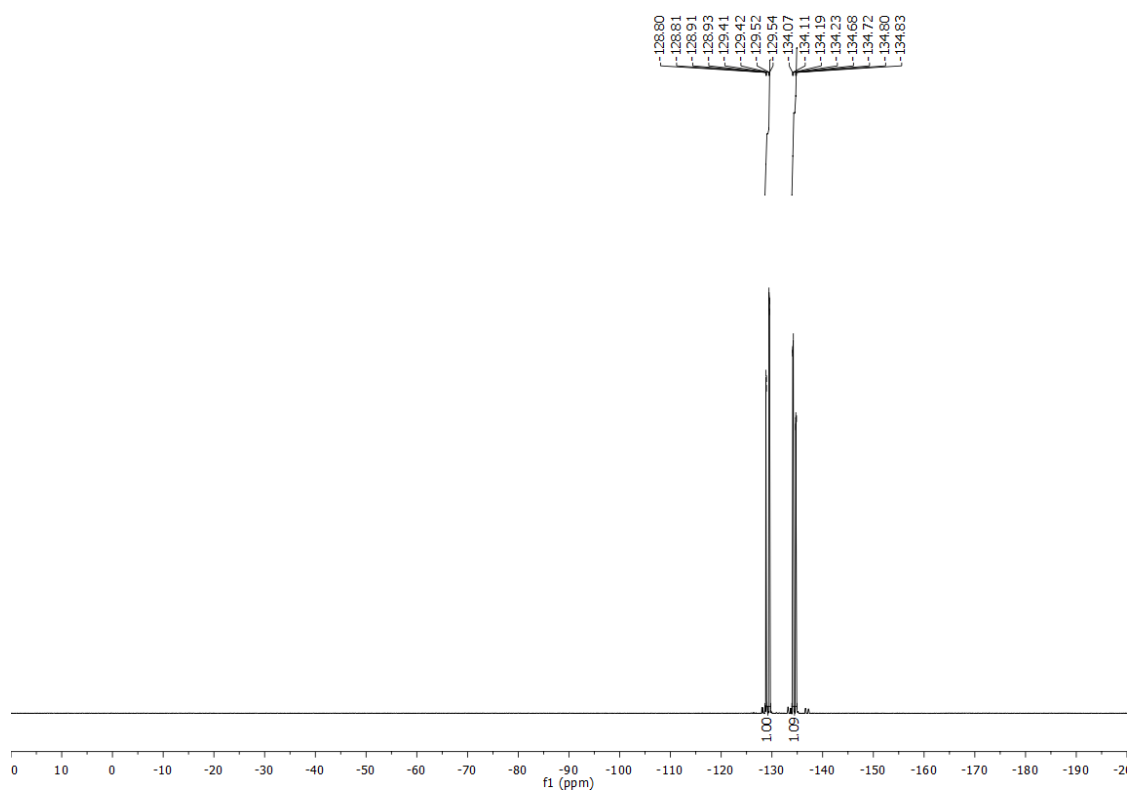
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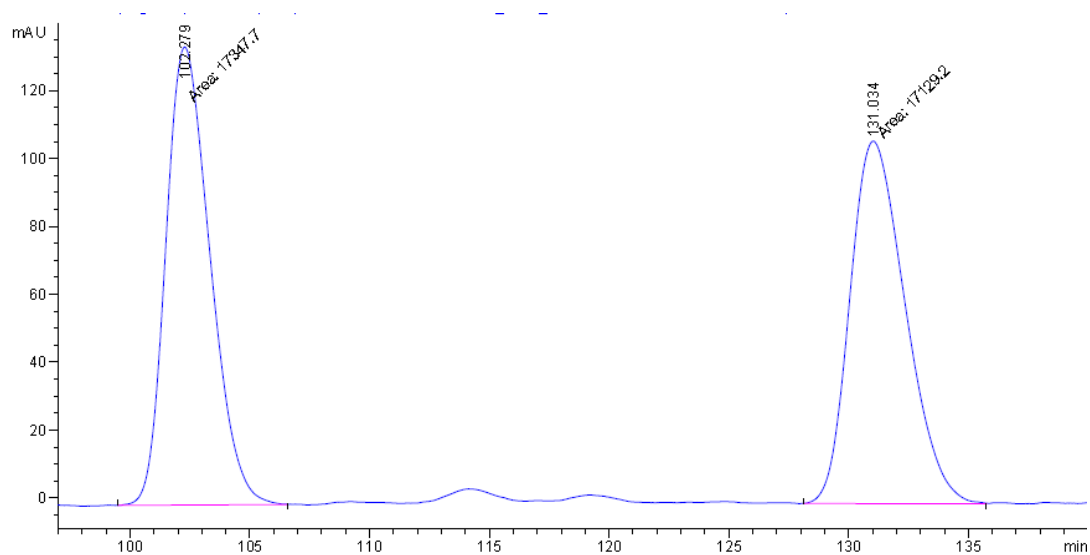
FTIR (neat) 3453, 2982, 2897, 1504, 1488, 1443, 1244, 1134, 1098, 1037, 929 cm^{–1}.

$[\alpha]_D^{32}$: –53.0 (c = 1.0, CHCl₃)

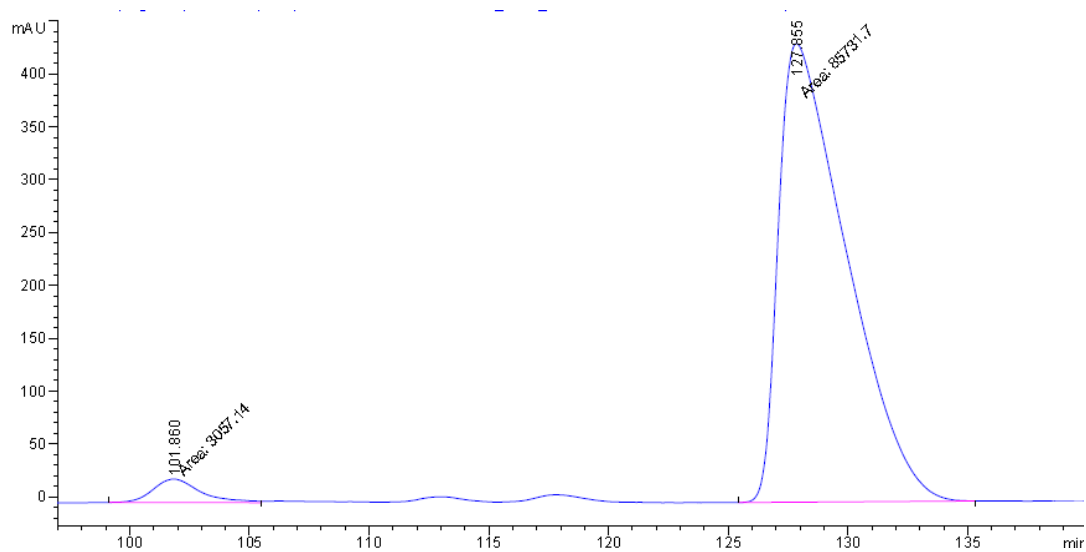
HPLC: (Chiralcel OJ-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 97:3, 0.5 mL/min, 210 nm), *ee* = 93%.





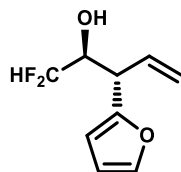


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1	101.860	MM	2.2946	3057.13696	22.20513	3.4432
2	127.855	MM	3.2946	8.57317e4	433.70004	96.5568

(2S,3S)-1,1-difluoro-3-(furan-2-yl)pent-4-en-2-ol (6.5i)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using using difluoroacetaldehyde ethyl hemiacetal (90%, 28 mg, 200 μ mol) and 1-(furan-2-yl)allyl acetate (66.5 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 20:1) provided the title compound (25 mg, 120 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 65% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.2 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 9:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.39 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 6.35 (dd, J = 3.2, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 6.19 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.12 – 6.03 (m, 1H), 5.63 (ddd, J = 56.3, 54.9, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 5.33 (dd, J = 10.1, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 5.27 (d, J = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 4.21 – 4.10 (m, 1H), 3.74 (dd, J = 8.7, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 2.27 (dd, J = 8.9, 3.7 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 152.69, 142.15, 132.73, 119.98, 117.23, 115.29, 113.36, 110.61, 107.44, 72.05 (dd, J = 24.6, 21.6 Hz), 44.86 (dd, J = 5.1, 2.9 Hz).

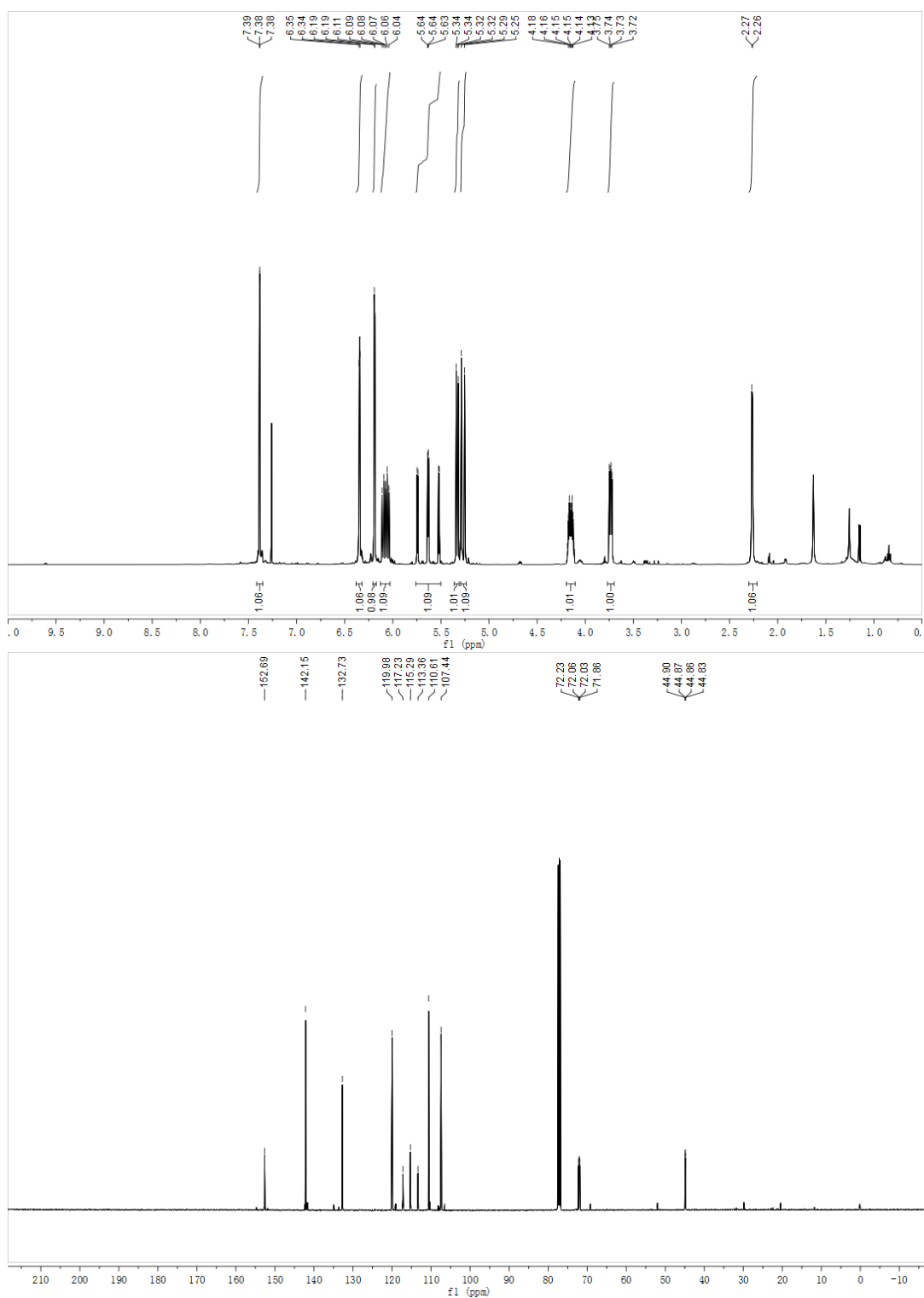
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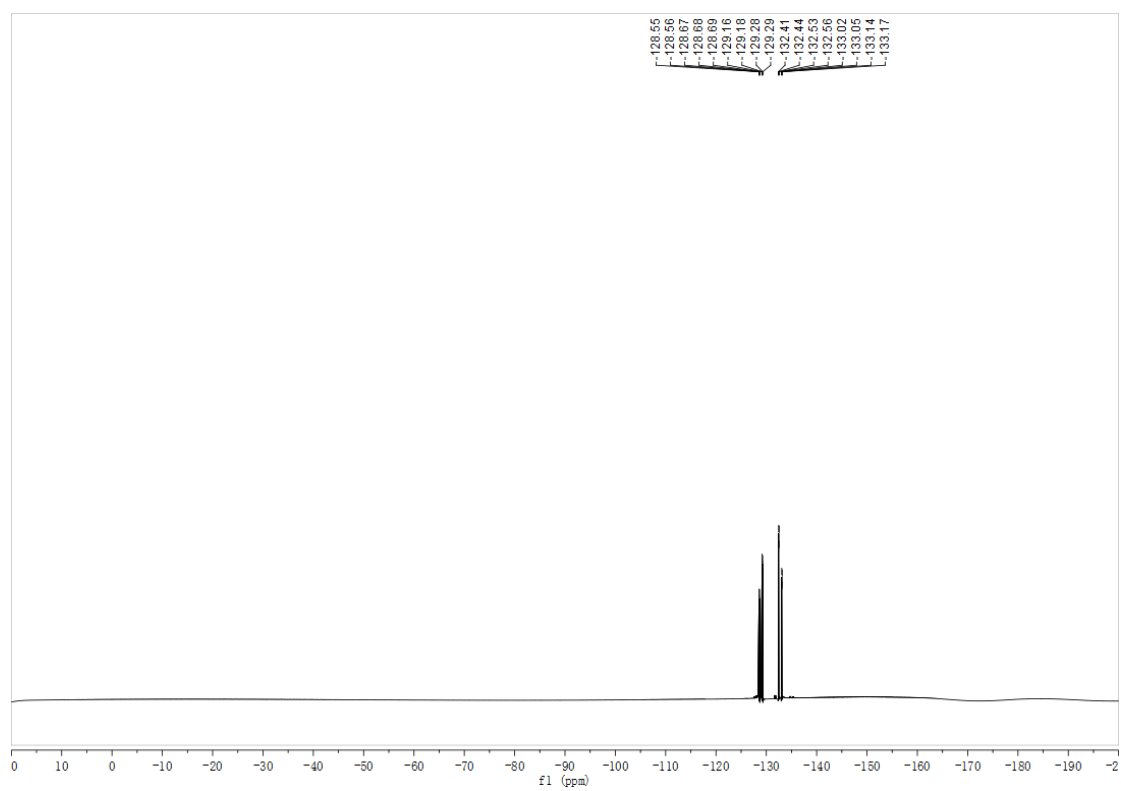
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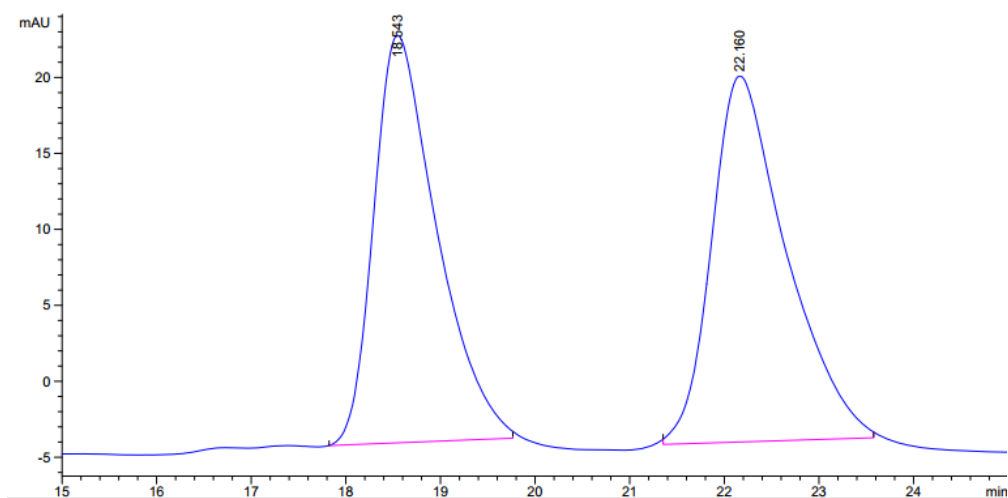
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[α]_D³³ : -43.3 (c = 0.3, CHCl₃)

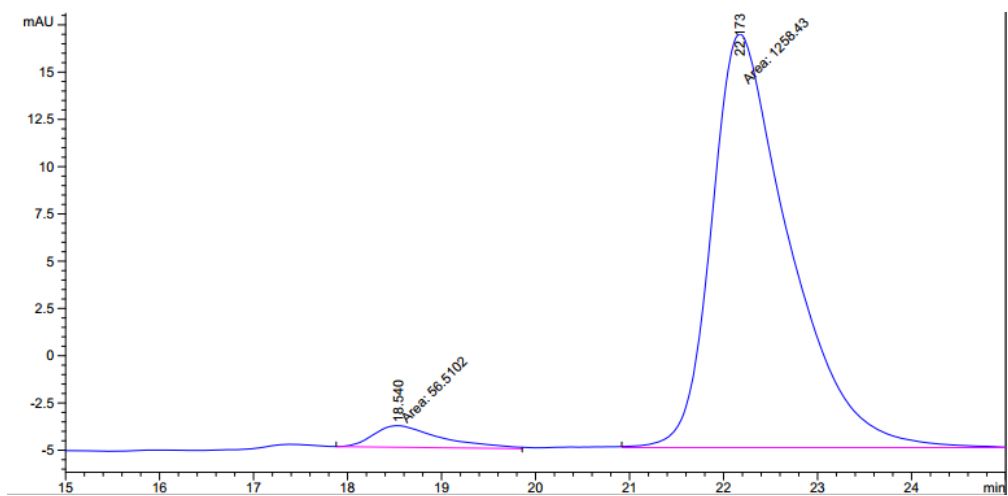
HPLC: (Chiralcel AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm), *ee* = 91%.





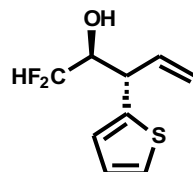


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2	22.160	BB	0.7983	1322.26086	24.09177	51.5763



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1	18.540	MM	0.8269	56.51017	1.13897	4.2975
2	22.173	MM	0.9590	1258.43079	21.87011	95.7025

(2*S*,3*S*)-1,1-difluoro-3-(thiophen-2-yl)pent-4-en-2-ol (6.5j)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using difluoroacetaldehyde ethyl hemiacetal (90%, 28 mg, 200 μ mol) and 1-(thiophen-2-yl)allyl acetate (73 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 20:1) provided the title compound (28.7 mg, 140 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 70% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.54 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 4:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.24 (dd, J = 5.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (dd, J = 5.1, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (s, 1H), 6.20 – 6.06 (m, 1H), 5.64 (ddd, J = 56.3, 54.9, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 5.34 – 5.24 (m, 2H), 4.03 (dt, J = 14.4, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.92 (dd, J = 8.9, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (d, J = 4.3 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 142.3, 135.1, 127.2, 125.3, 124.8, 119.2, 115.3 (t, J = 243.3 Hz), 74.0 (dd, J = 24.6, 21.4 Hz), 46.3 (dd, J = 5.1, 2.7 Hz).

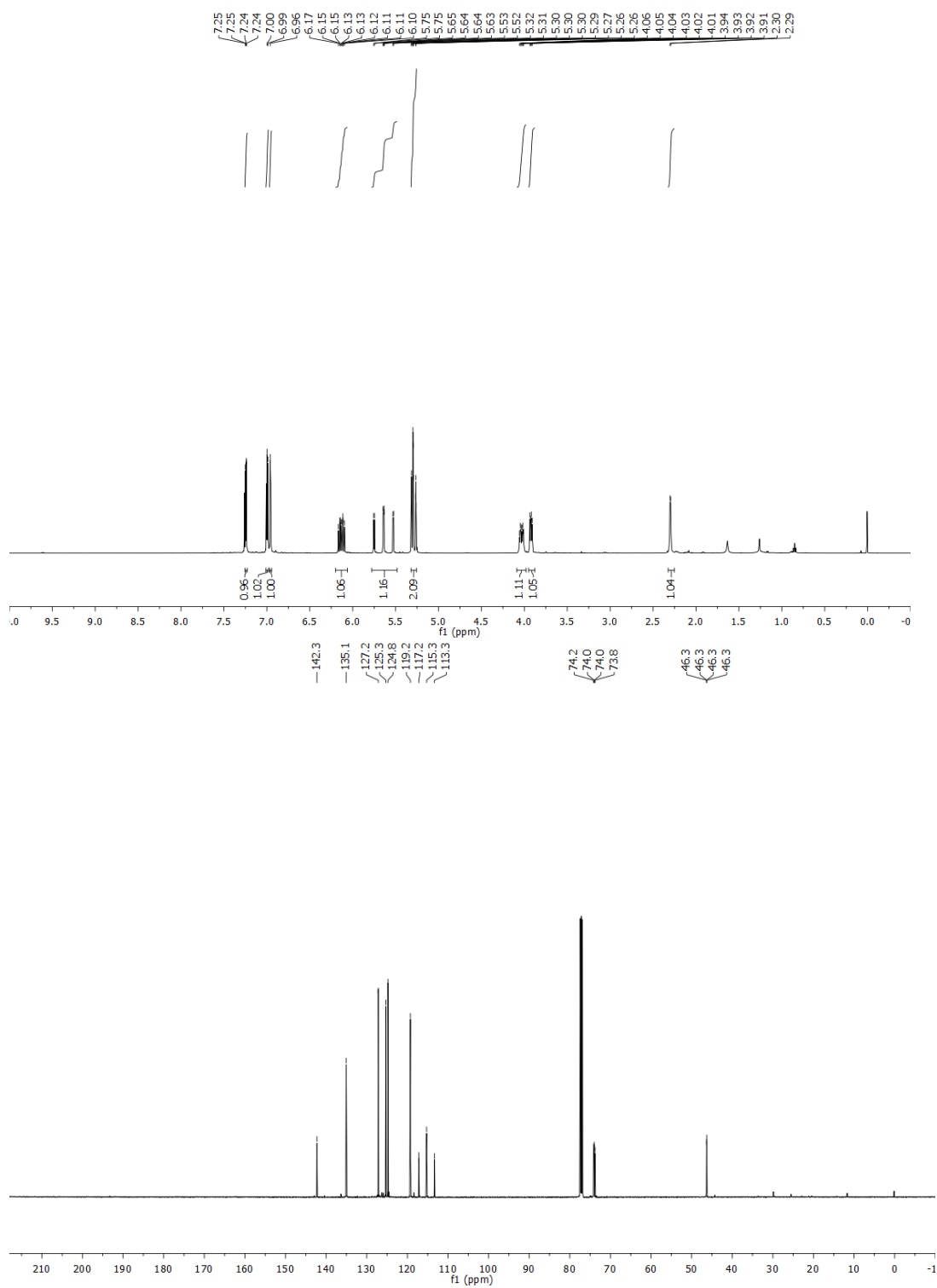
¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -129.12 (ddd, J = 288.7, 54.9, 5.5 Hz), -133.10 (ddd, J = 288.6, 56.3, 14.3 Hz).

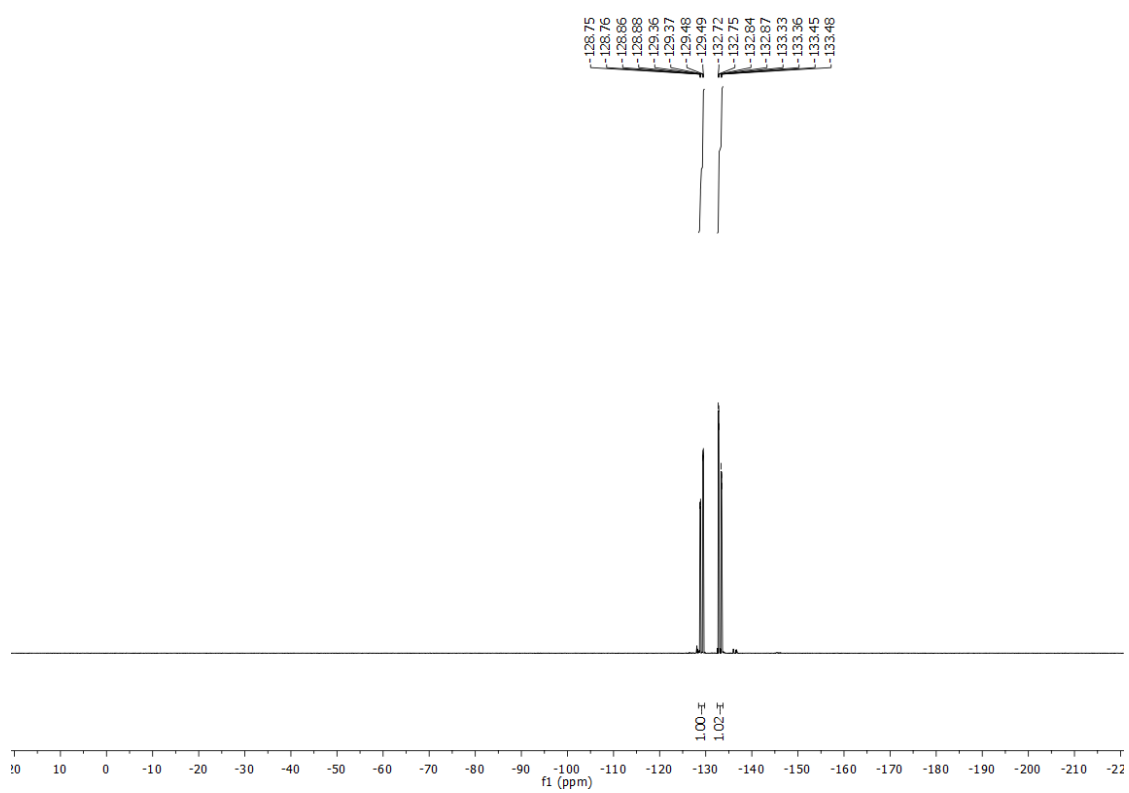
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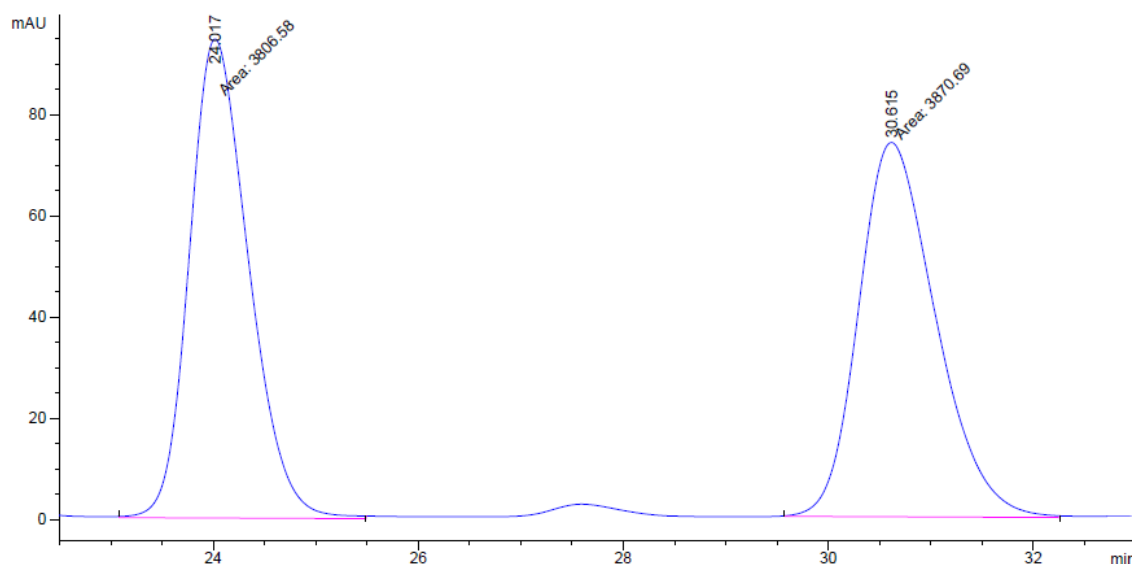
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[α]_D³³ : -73.3 (c = 1.0, CHCl₃)

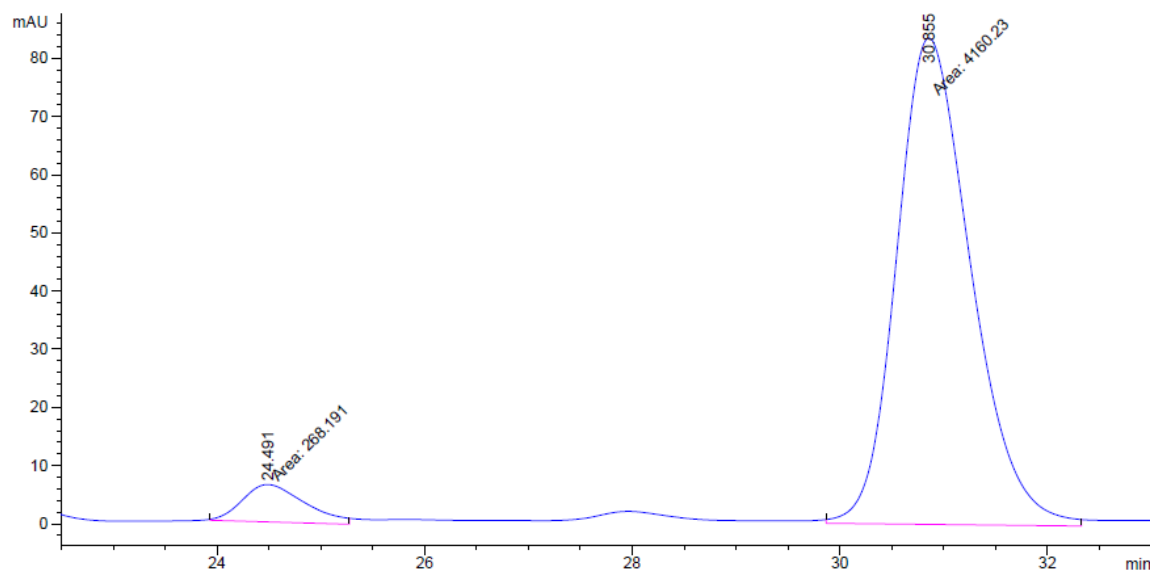
HPLC: (Chiralcel AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm), *ee* = 88%.





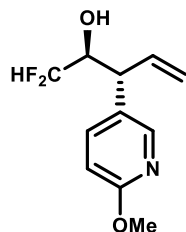


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1	24.017	MM	0.6698	3806.58154	94.72547	49.5825
2	30.615	MM	0.8715	3870.68506	74.02729	50.4175



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1	24.491	MM	0.6966	268.19061	6.41644	6.0561
2	30.855	MM	0.8292	4160.22949	83.61486	93.9439

(2S,3R)-1,1-difluoro-3-(6-methoxypyridin-3-yl)pent-4-en-2-ol (6.5k)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using difluoroacetaldehyde ethyl hemiacetal (90%, 27.3 mg, 195 μ mol) and 1-(6-methoxypyridin-3-yl)allyl acetate (83 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 6:1) provided the title compound (33.5 mg, 146 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 75% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.37 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.07 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (dd, J = 8.6, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 6.21 – 6.11 (m, 1H), 5.60 (td, J = 55.7, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 5.28 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (d, J = 17.1 Hz, 1H), 3.97 – 3.92 (m, 1H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 3.55 (dd, J = 8.6, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.53 (s, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 163.5, 146.3, 138.7, 135.2, 128.3, 119.2, 115.4 (t, J = 243.6 Hz), 111.1, 73.7 (dd, J = 24.2, 21.4 Hz), 53.6, 47.4 (dd, J = 4.6, 2.5 Hz).

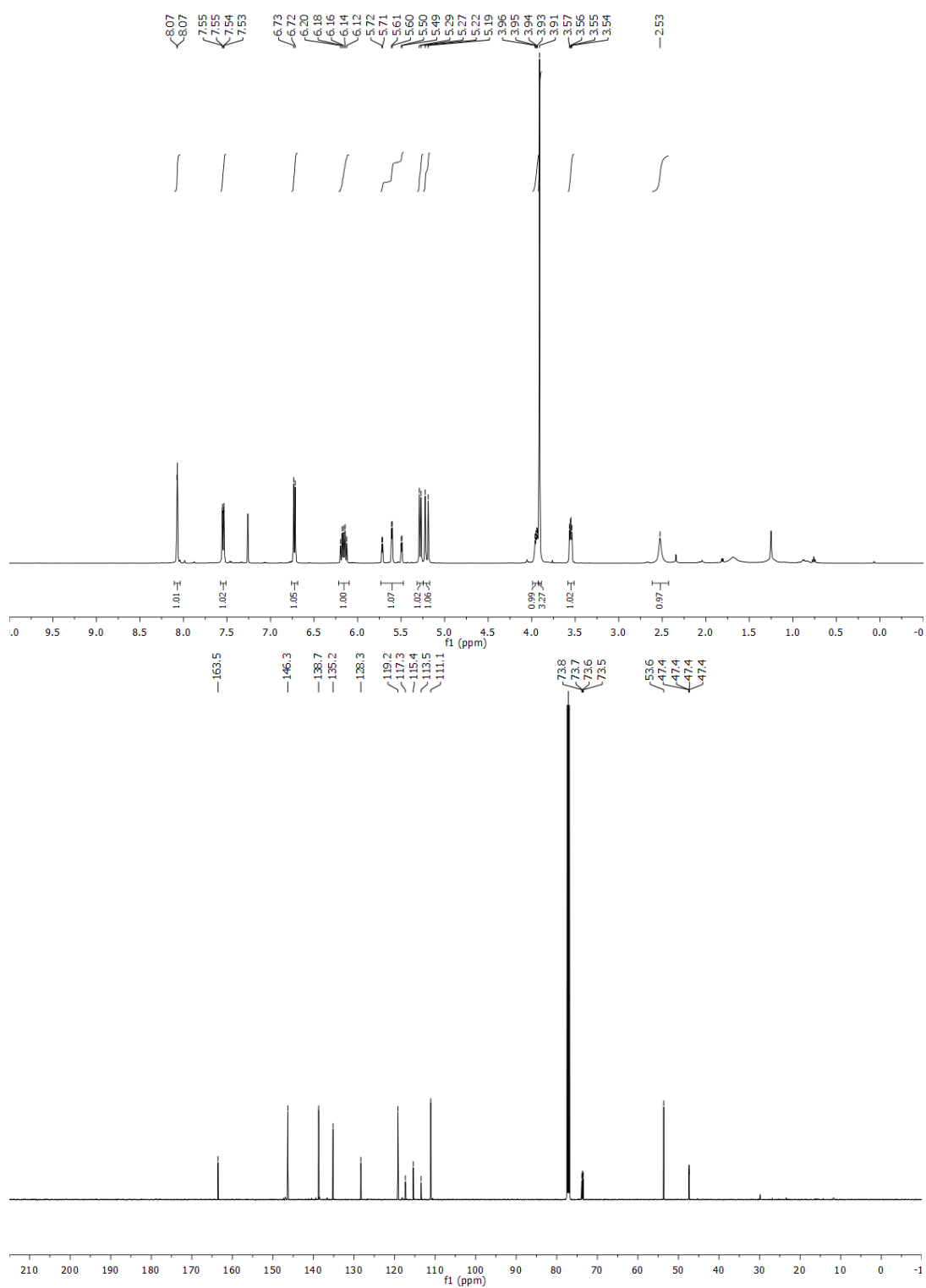
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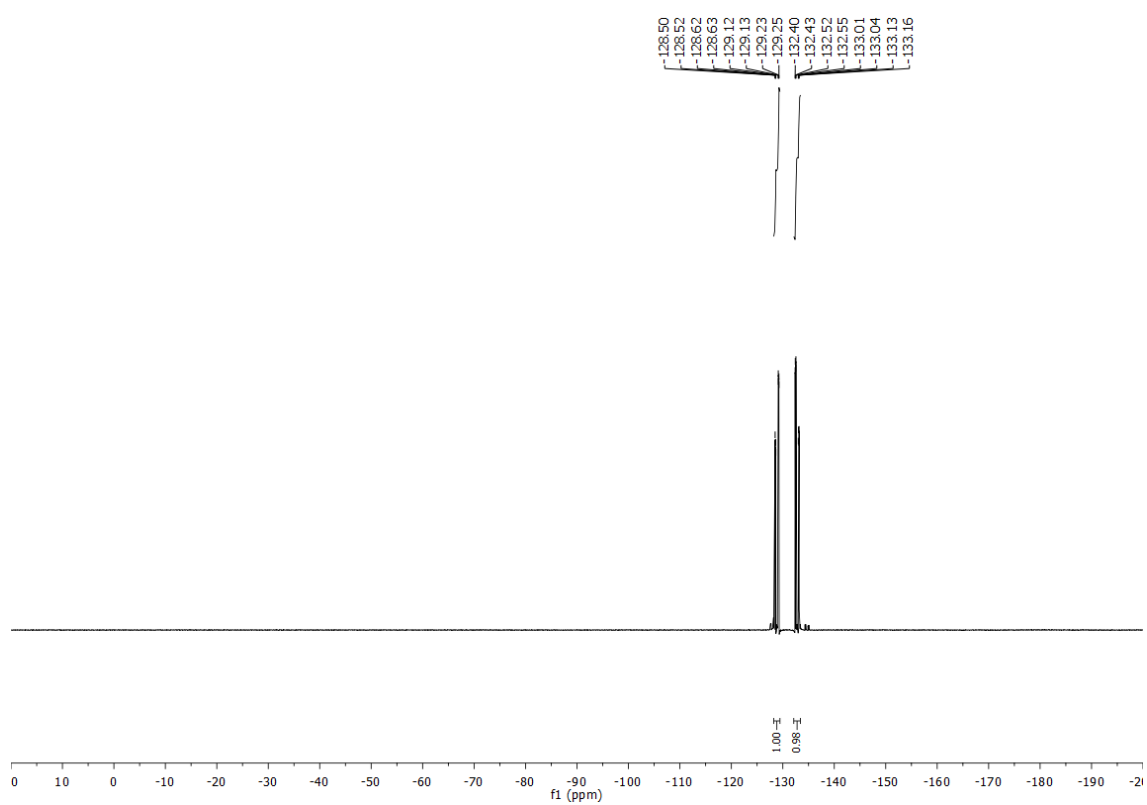
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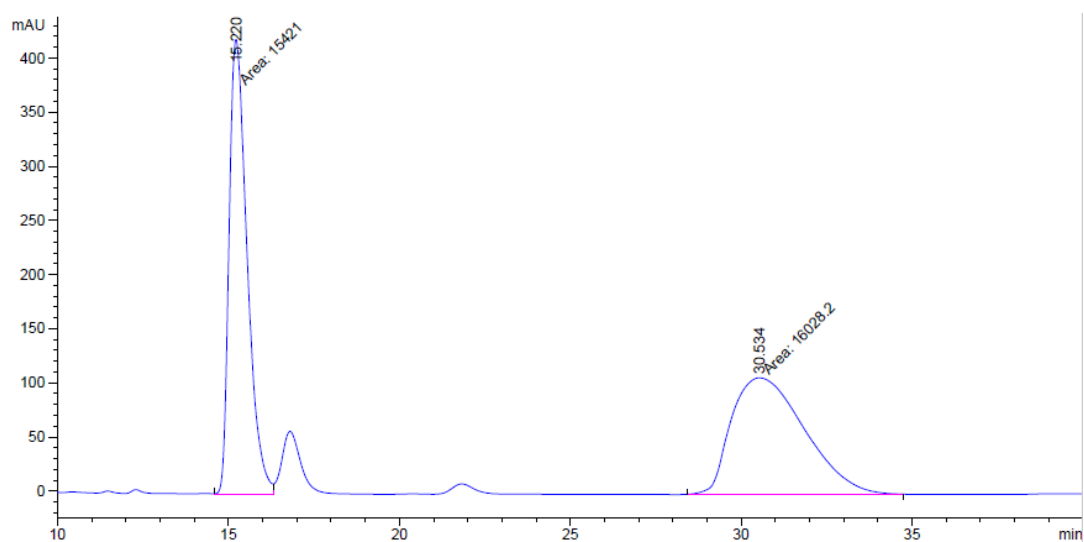
FTIR (neat) 3235, 2982, 2922, 1607, 1494, 1393, 1291, 1126, 1059, 1029, 928, 833, 774 cm⁻¹.

[α]_D²⁹ : -79.5 (c = 1.0, CHCl₃)

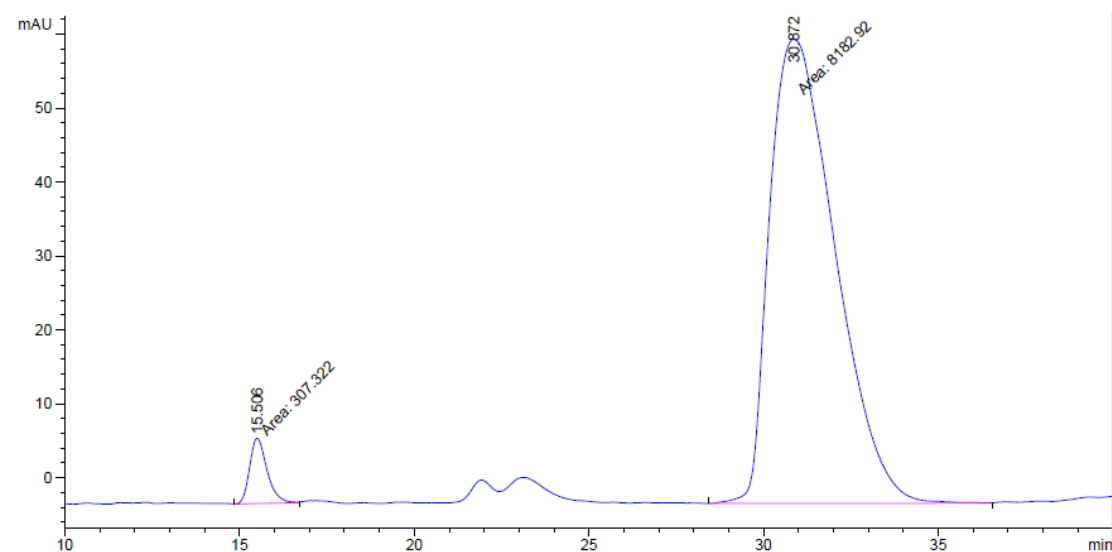
HPLC: (Chiralcel AS-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 97:3, 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm), *ee* = 93%.





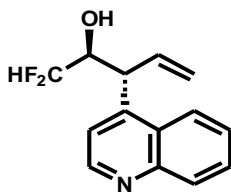


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1	15.220	MF	0.6120	1.54210e4	419.95688	49.0348
2	30.534	MM	2.4809	1.60282e4	107.67802	50.9652



Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	15.506	MM	0.5801	307.32208	8.82987	3.6197
2	30.872	MM	2.1719	8182.91895	62.79467	96.3803

(2*S*,3*R*)-1,1-difluoro-3-(quinolin-4-yl)pent-4-en-2-ol (6.5l)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure using difluoroacetaldehyde ethyl hemiacetal (90%, 28 mg, 200 μ mol) and 1-(quinolin-4-yl)allyl acetate (91 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 3:1 \rightarrow 1:1) provided the title compound (42.6 mg, 172 μ mol, *anti:syn* = >20:1) in 86% yield as a white solid.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.26 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 1:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆): δ = 8.81 (d, J = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 8.21 (ddt, J = 8.5, 1.3, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 8.04 (ddd, J = 8.4, 1.4, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (ddd, J = 8.4, 6.9, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.62 – 7.60 (m, 1H), 6.51 (ddd, J = 17.2, 10.3, 8.8 Hz, 1H), 5.82 (ddd, J = 56.5, 55.3, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 5.35 – 5.27 (m, 2H), 4.56 (dd, J = 9.0, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.23 – 4.13 (m, 1H), 2.99 (s, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆): δ = 150.7, 149.3, 147.4, 135.8, 131.0, 129.7, 127.5, 127.0, 123.7, 121.7, 119.2, 117.1 (t, J = 243.6 Hz), 73.1 (dd, J = 24.9, 21.4 Hz), 45.3 (dd, J = 5.7, 2.5 Hz).

¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆): δ = -128.48 (ddd, J = 285.2, 55.3, 6.4 Hz), -131.12 (ddd, J = 285.0, 56.7, 14.0 Hz).

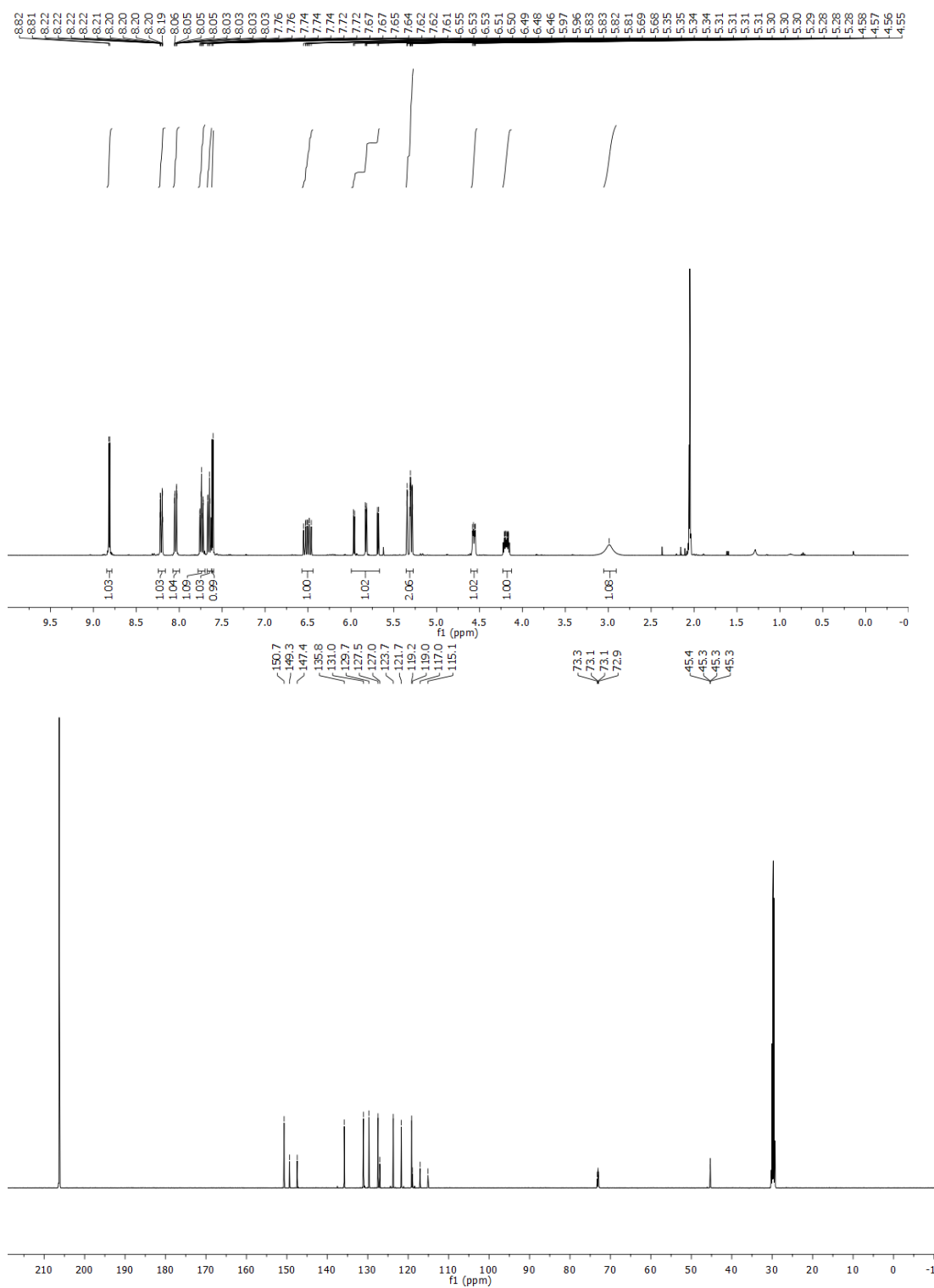
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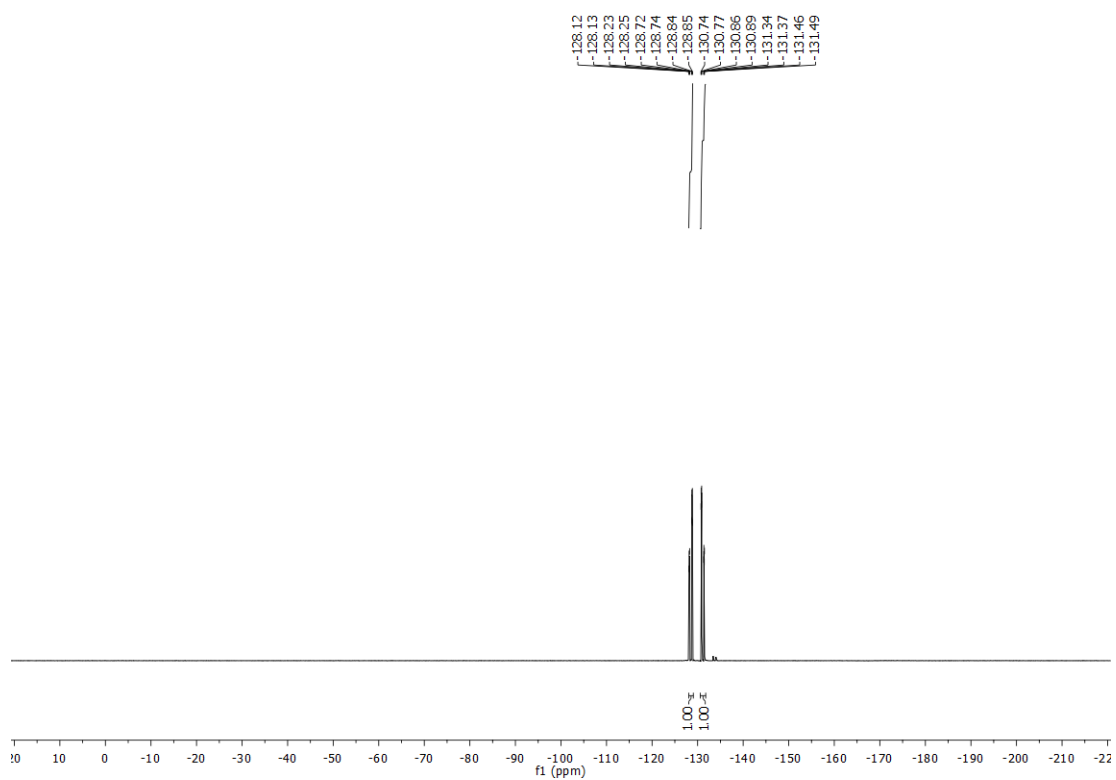
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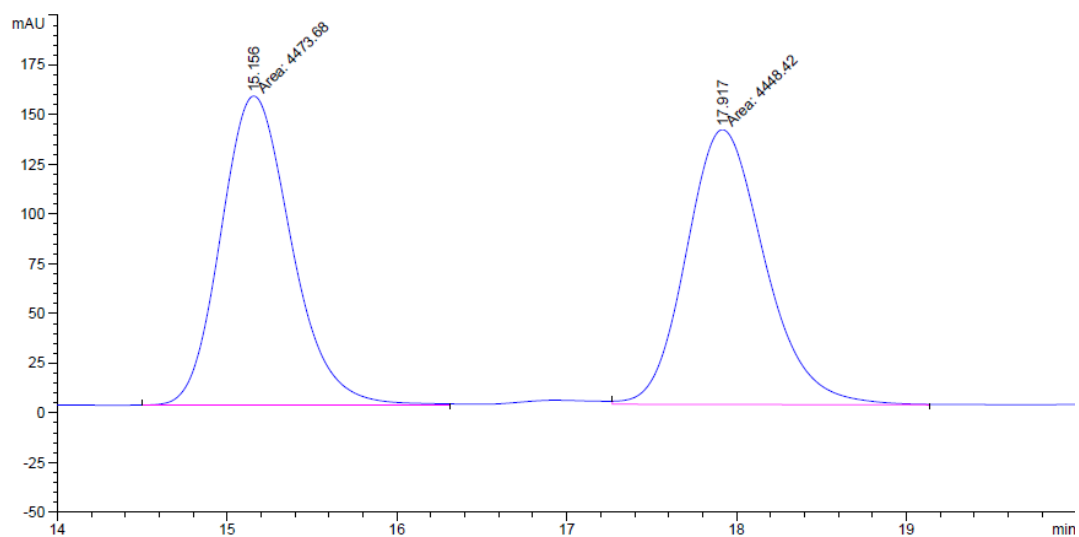
$[\alpha]_D^{33}$: -33.5 (c = 1.0, Acetone)

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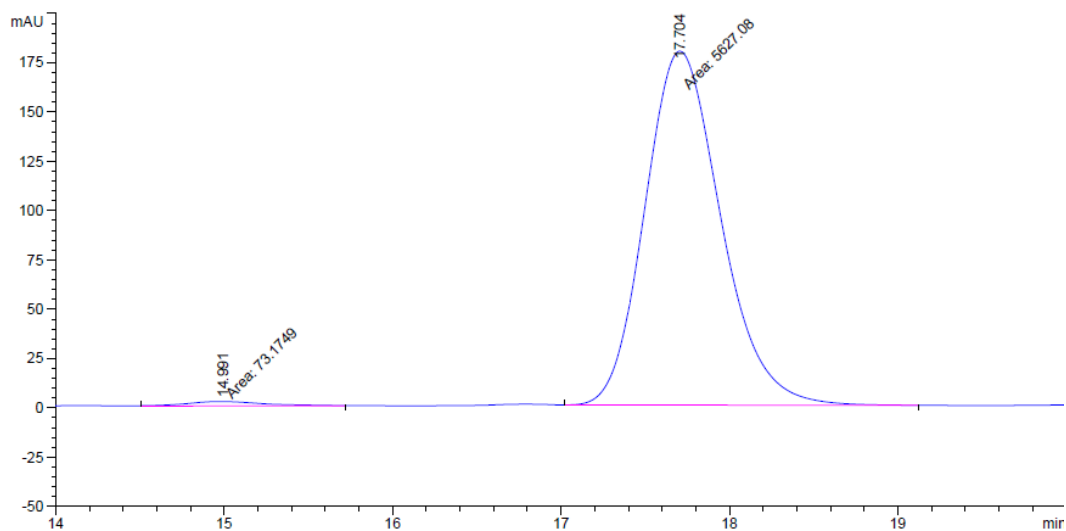
HPLC: (Chiralcel AD-H column, hexanes:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm), *ee* = 97%.







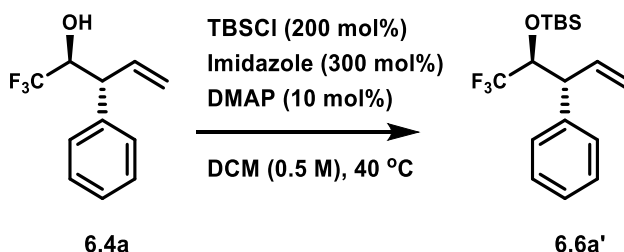
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1	15.156	MM	0.4799	4473.67725	155.36191	50.1416
2	17.917	FM	0.5363	4448.41699	138.24548	49.8584



Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	14.991	MM	0.5392	73.17490	2.26182	1.2837
2	17.704	MM	0.5226	5627.07617	179.45941	98.7163

Enantioselective Synthesis of Di- and Trifluoro-methylated Derivatives of *d*-Hyoscyamine 6.8a and 6.8b

tert-butyltrimethylsilyl(((2*S*,3*R*)-1,1,1-trifluoro-3-phenylpent-4-en-2-yl)oxy)silane (6.6a')



To a solution of alcohol **6.4a** (216.2 mg, 1.000 mmol, 100 mol%) in CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) was added imidazole (204.2 mg, 3.000 mmol, 300 mol%), TBSCl (301.5 mg, 2.000 mmol, 200 mol%) and 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine (12.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 10 mol%). The reaction was heated to 40 °C for 24 h. The contents were diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) and washed with H₂O (2 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 x 2 mL), and the combined organic phases were washed with brine (2 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄), filtered and the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. The residue was subjected to flash chromatography on silica (Hexanes) to furnish the title compound **6.6a'** (239.8 mg, 0.726 mmol) in 73% yield as a clear oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.43 (hexanes).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.34 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.25 – 7.21 (m, 3H), 6.41 – 6.24 (m, 1H), 5.25 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (d, *J* = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (qd, *J* = 6.7, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 0.85 (s, 9H), -0.02 (s, 3H), -0.36 (s, 3H).

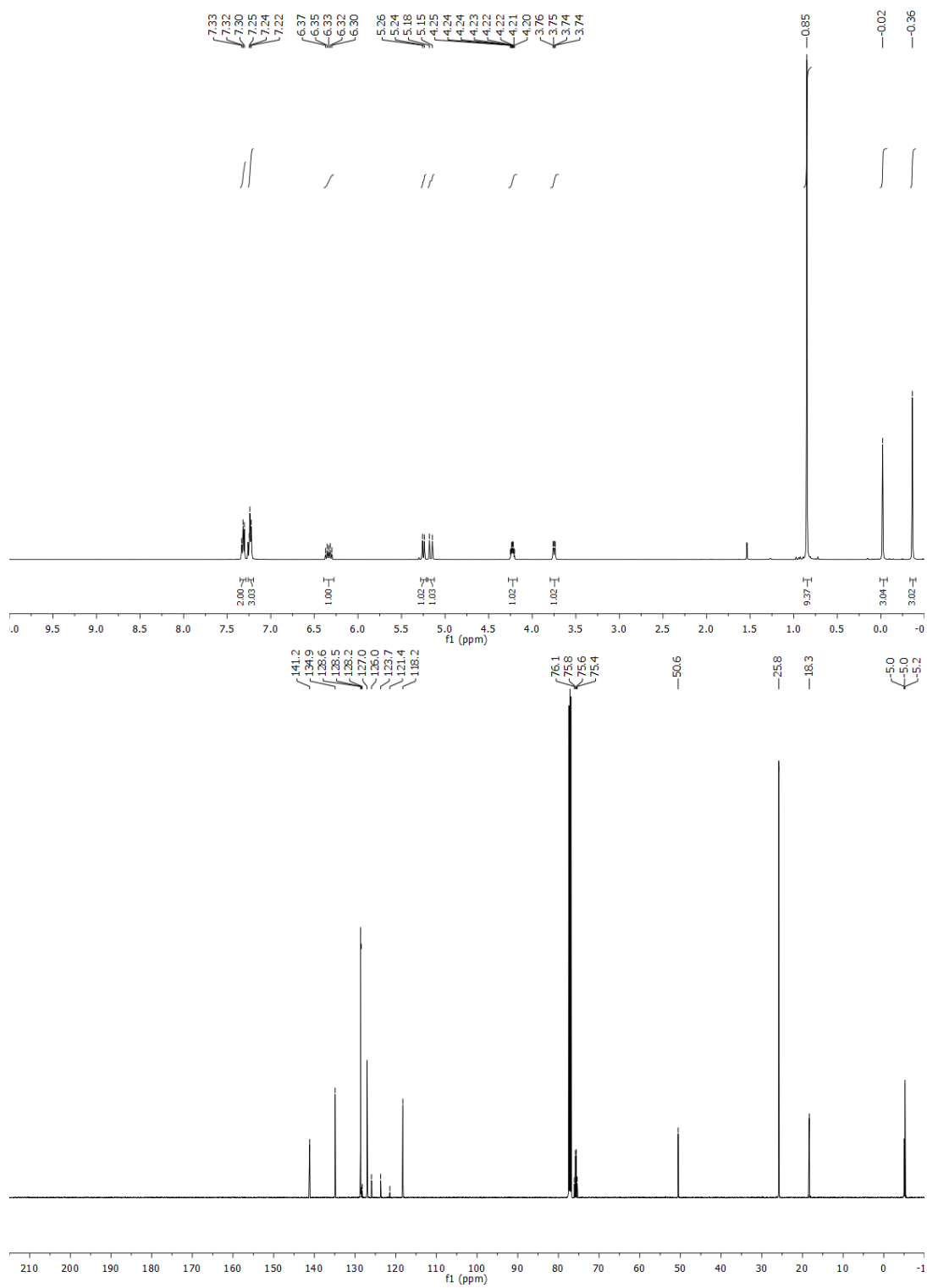
¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 141.2, 134.9, 128.6, 128.5, 127.0, 124.8 (q, *J* = 284.9 Hz), 118.2, 75.7 (q, *J* = 29.0 Hz), 50.6, 25.8, 18.3, -5.0 (q, *J* = 1.9 Hz), -5.2.

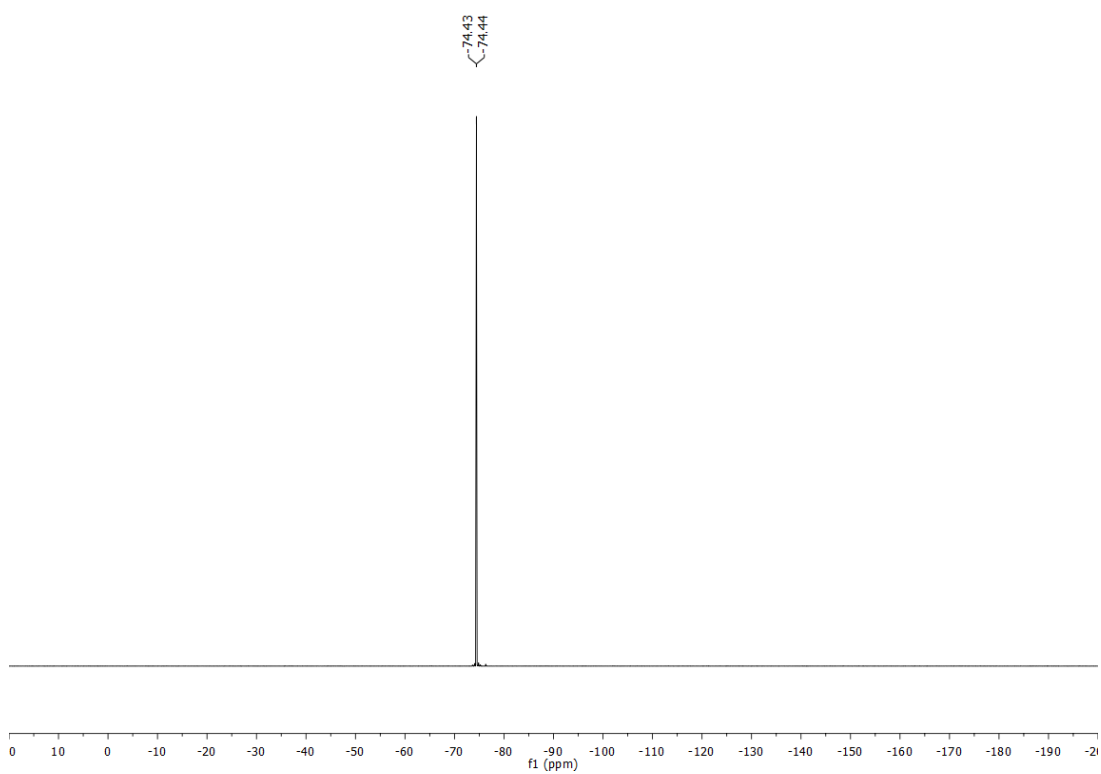
¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -74.43 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz).

HRMS (CI) Calculated for C₁₇H₂₅F₃OSi [M+H]⁺ = 331.1705, Found 331.1706.

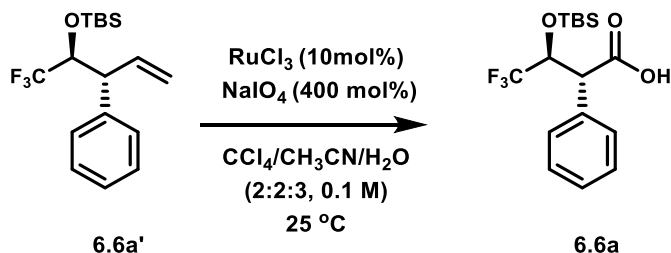
FTIR (neat) 2931, 2860, 1473, 1382, 1260, 1145, 1115, 1002, 927, 876, 829, 779, 700 cm⁻¹.

[α]_D²⁶ : -140.5 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)





(2R,3S)-3-((tert-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)-4,4,4-trifluoro-2-phenylbutanoic acid (6.6a)



To a stirred solution of **6.6a'** (195.0 mg, 0.590 mmol, 100 mol%), in 1.7 mL CCl₄, 1.7 mL CH₃CN, and 2.5 mL H₂O was added NaIO₄ (504.8 mg, 2.360 mmol, 400 mol%). After all the NaIO₄ had dissolved, RuCl₃·2H₂O (14.4 mg, 0.059 mmol, 10 mol%) was added, and the reaction mixture was stirred vigorously for 24 h at 25 °C. The contents were diluted with EtOAc (5 mL) and washed with H₂O (5 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (2 x 5 mL), and the combined organic phases were washed with brine (5 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄), filtered and the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. The residue was subjected to flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 5:1) to furnish the title compound **6.6a** (145.2 mg, 0.417 mmol) in 71% yield as a white solid.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.43 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.40 – 7.29 (m, 5H), 4.60 (dq, *J* = 9.4, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 3.97 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 0.85 (s, 9H), 0.14 (s, 3H), 0.08 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 176.7, 132.7, 128.9, 128.6, 124.3 (q, *J* = 284.1 Hz), 73.1 (q, *J* = 29.7 Hz), 55.1, 25.7, 18.3, -4.8 – -4.9 (m), -5.0.

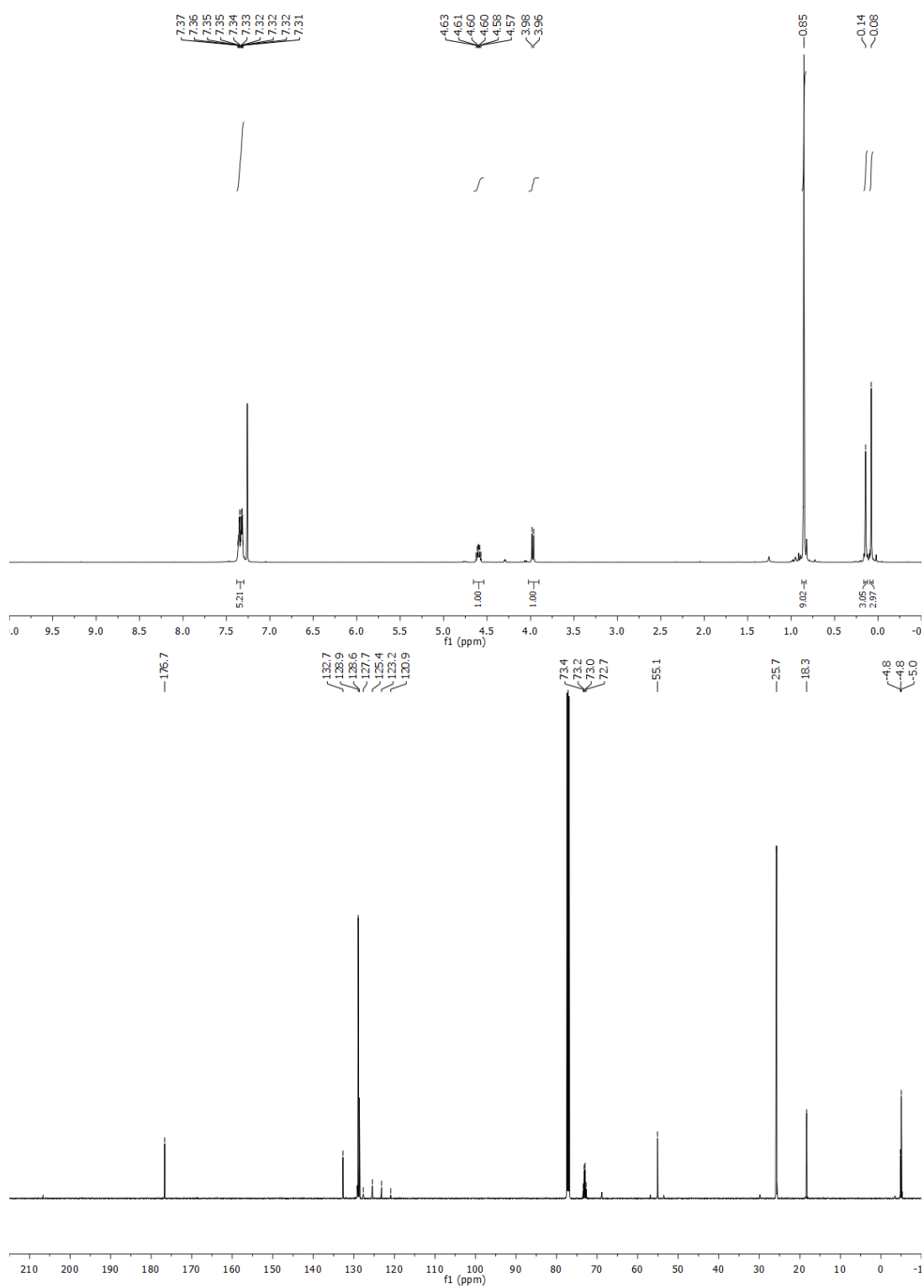
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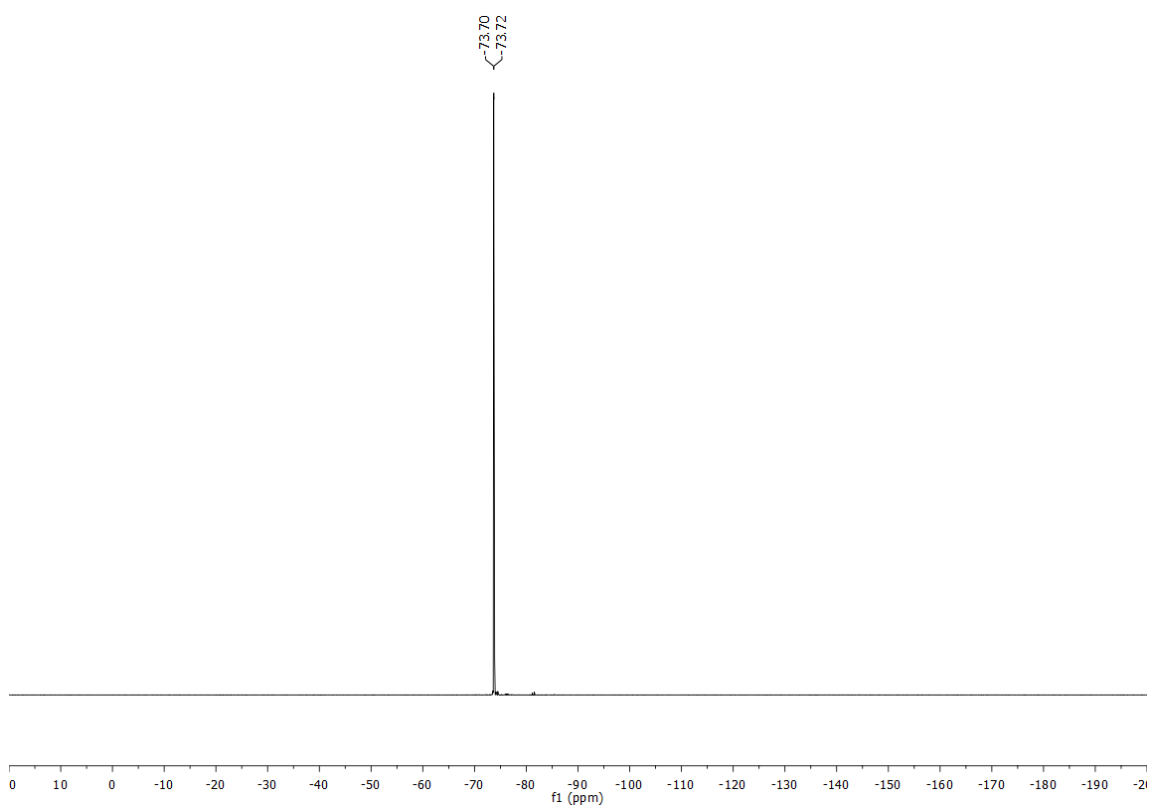
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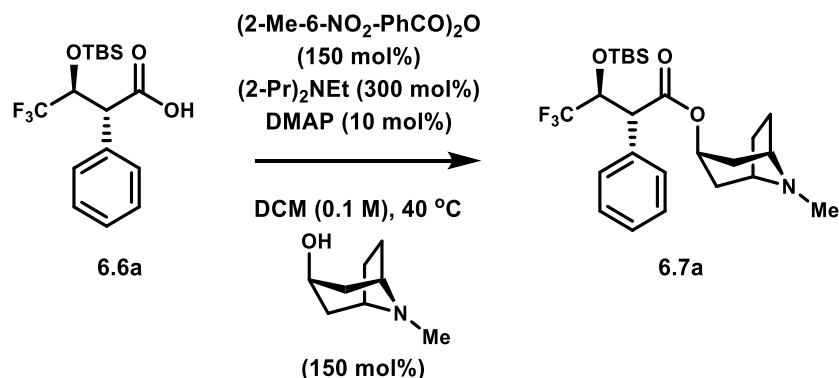
[α]_D²⁸ : -88.0 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)

MP: 100-105°C





(1R,3r,5S)-8-methyl-8-azabicyclo[3.2.1]octan-3-yl (2R,3S)-3-((tert-butyltrimethylsilyl)oxy)-4,4,4-trifluoro-2-phenylbutanoate (6.7a)



A vial equipped with a magnetic stir bar was charged with **6.6a** (19.9 mg, 0.0571 mmol, 100 mol%), 2-methyl-6-nitrobenzoic anhydride (29.5 mg, 0.0857 mmol, 150 mol%), 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine (0.7 mg, 0.0057 mmol, 10 mol%) and purged with argon. Freshly distilled CH_2Cl_2 (570 μL) and *N,N*-diisopropylethylamine (29.3 μL , 0.1713 mmol, 300 mol%), were added sequentially via syringe. The resulting mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 10 minutes. Tropine (12.1 mg, 0.0857 mmol, 150 mol%) was added in a single portion at 25 °C. The reaction was stirred at 40 °C for 20 h. The reaction mixture was concentrated, and the residue was subjected to flash chromatography on basic alumina (DCM/MeOH 98:2) to furnish the title compound **6.7a** (23.7 mg, 0.0503 mmol, 7:1 dr) in 88% yield as a clear oil.

TLC (Basic Alumina) R_f = 0.50 (DCM/MeOH = 95:5).

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.37 – 7.27 (m, 5H), 4.98 (t, J = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 4.70 (dq, J = 8.3, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 3.05 (dt, J = 6.9, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 2.94 (dt, J = 6.8, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.21 (s, 3H), 2.10 (dt, J = 14.2, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 2.02 (dt, J = 15.1, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 1.91 (qdd, J = 10.6, 9.0, 7.3, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 1.81 – 1.72 (m, 2H), 1.70 – 1.65 (m, 1H), 1.50 – 1.41 (m, 1H), 1.40 – 1.33 (m, 1H), 0.68 (s, 9H), 0.03 (s, 3H), -0.41 (s, 3H).

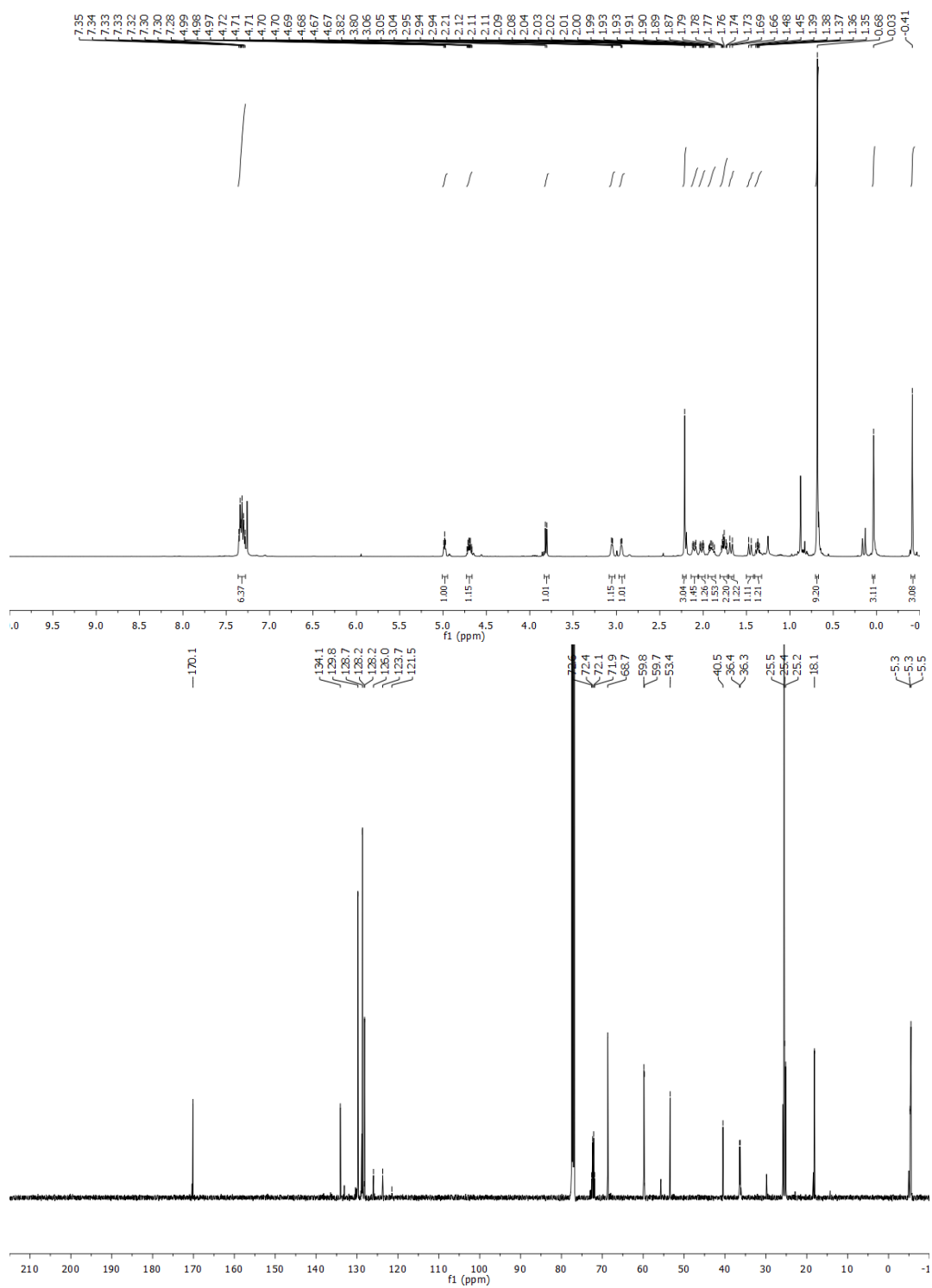
¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 170.1, 134.1, 129.8, 128.7, 128.2, 124.9 (q, J = 284.3 Hz), 72.3 (q, J = 30.3 Hz), 68.7, 59.8, 59.7, 53.4, 40.5, 36.4, 36.3, 25.5, 25.4, 25.2, 18.1, -5.2 – -5.4 (m), -5.5.

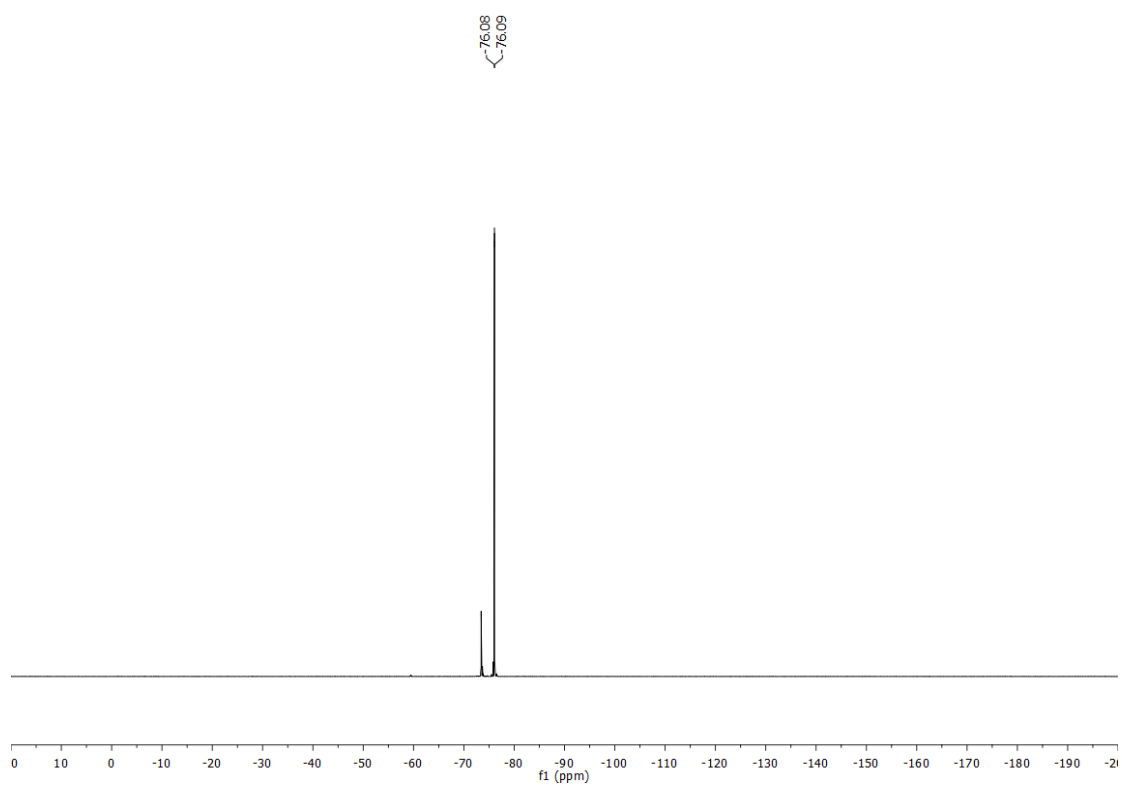
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HRMS (APPI) Calculated for C₂₄H₃₆F₃NO₃Si [M+H]⁺ = 472.2489, Found 472.2498.

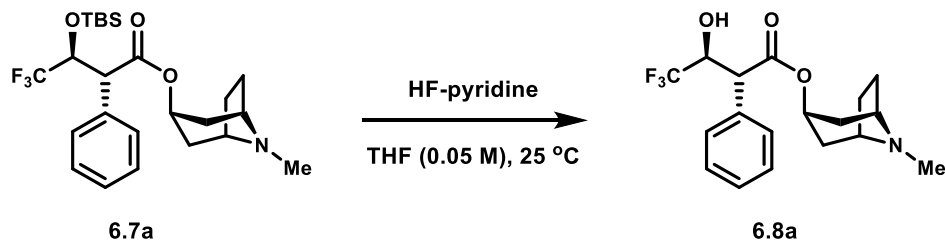
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$[\alpha]_D^{26}$: -31.5 (c = 1.0, CHCl₃)





(1R,3r,5S)-8-methyl-8-azabicyclo[3.2.1]octan-3-yl (2R,3S)-4,4,4-trifluoro-3-hydroxy-2-phenylbutanoate (6.8a)



To a polyethylene tube charged with **7a** (10.0 mg, 0.0212 mmol, 100 mol%) in THF (420 μL) was added HF-pyridine (100 μL) dropwise at 25 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. The resulting mixture was stirred at 25 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 24 h. The reaction was diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 mL) and quenched by careful addition of saturated NaHCO_3 (2 mL). The reaction mixture was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (2 x 2 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was subjected to flash chromatography on basic alumina (DCM/MeOH 95:5) to furnish the title compound **8a** (6.7 mg, 0.0188 mmol) in 89% yield as a clear oil.

TLC (Basic Alumina) R_f = 0.30 (DCM/MeOH = 95:5).

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.40 – 7.32 (m, 5H), 4.99 (t, J = 5.3 Hz, 1H), 4.75 (p, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 3.14 – 3.05 (m, 1H), 3.01 – 2.92 (m, 1H), 2.22 (s, 3H), 2.20 – 2.12 (m, 1H), 2.12 – 2.03 (m, 1H), 1.96 – 1.84 (m, 1H), 1.75 (dq, J = 10.4, 6.8, 5.0 Hz, 2H), 1.68 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 1.46 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 1.24 (ddd, J = 13.3, 9.3, 4.6 Hz, 1H).

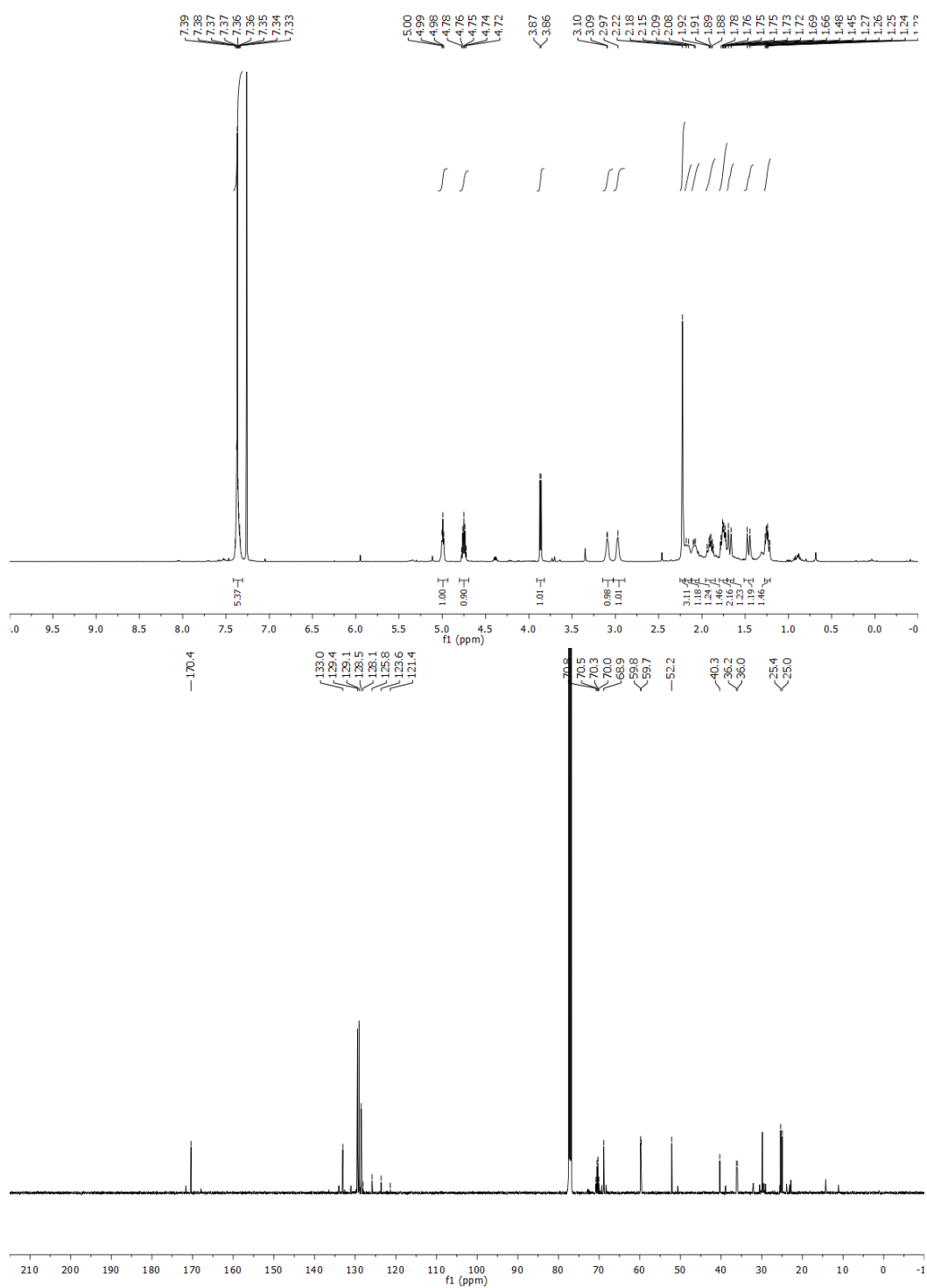
$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 170.4, 133.0, 129.4, 129.1, 128.5, 124.7 (q, J = 282.3 Hz), 70.4 (q, J = 30.7 Hz), 68.9, 59.8, 59.7, 52.2, 40.3, 36.2, 36.0, 25.4, 25.0.

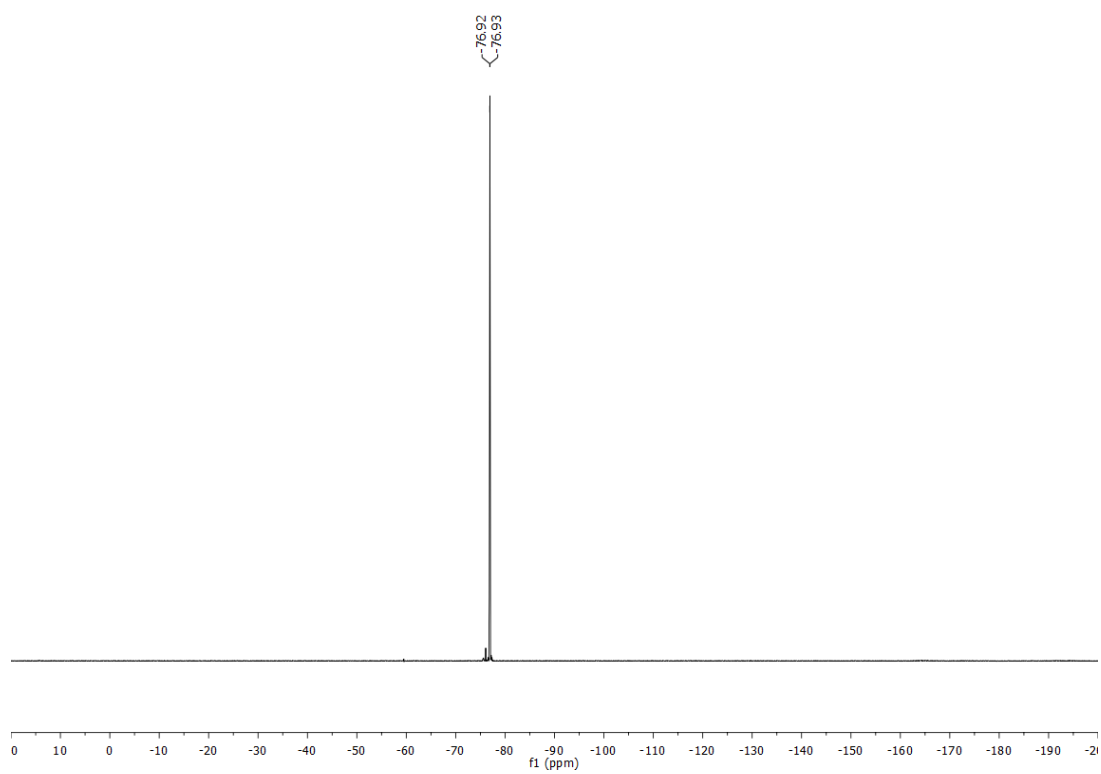
$^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (471 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = -76.92 (d, J = 6.4 Hz).

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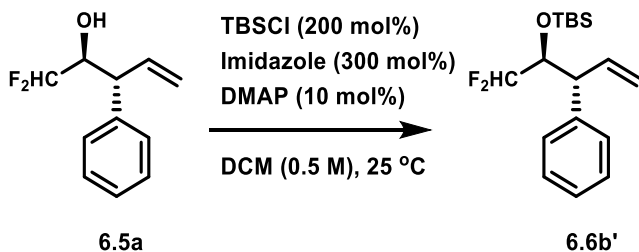
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$[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{35}$: -20.0 (c = 0.5, CHCl_3)





tert-butyldimethyl(((2S,3R)-1,1,1-trifluoro-3-phenylpent-4-en-2-yl)oxy)silane (6.6b')



To a solution of alcohol **6.5a** (99.1 mg, 0.500 mmol, 100 mol%) in CH_2Cl_2 (1 mL) was added imidazole (102.1 mg, 1.500 mmol, 300 mol%), TBSCl (150.7 mg, 1.000 mmol, 200 mol%) and 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine (6.1 mg, 0.050 mmol, 10 mol%). The reaction was allowed to stir at 25 °C for 24 h. The contents were diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (1 mL) and washed with H_2O (1 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (2 x 1 mL), and the combined organic phases were washed with brine (1 mL), dried (Na_2SO_4), filtered and the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. The residue was subjected to flash chromatography on silica (Hexanes) to furnish the title compound **6.6b'** (137.0 mg, 0.438 mmol) in 88% yield as a clear oil.

TLC (SiO_2) R_f = 0.43 (hexanes).

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.35 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.25 – 7.20 (m, 3H), 6.29 (dt, J = 17.2, 9.8 Hz, 1H), 5.49 (ddd, J = 56.7, 55.1, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 5.27 (dd, J = 10.3, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 5.20 (ddd, J = 17.2, 1.8, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 3.98 (dq, J = 13.6, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.63 (dt, J = 9.0, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 0.82 (s, 9H), -0.03 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 3H), -0.36 (s, 3H).

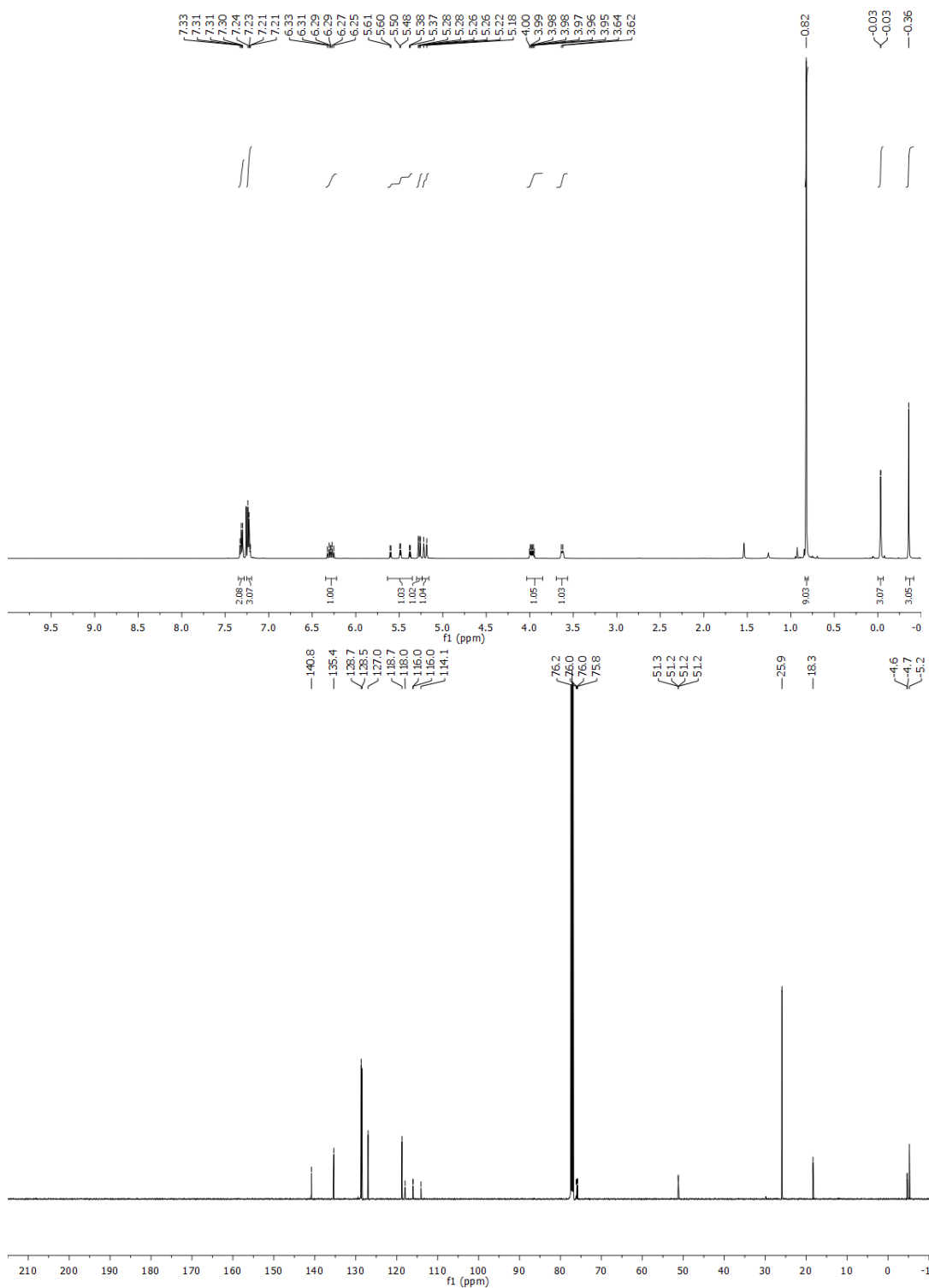
$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 140.8, 135.4, 128.7, 128.5, 127.0, 118.7, 116.0 (dd, J = 245.7, 243.8 Hz), 76.0 (dd, J = 25.3, 20.3 Hz), 51.2 (dd, J = 5.6, 2.2 Hz), 25.9, 18.3, -4.7 (d, J = 3.6 Hz), -5.2.

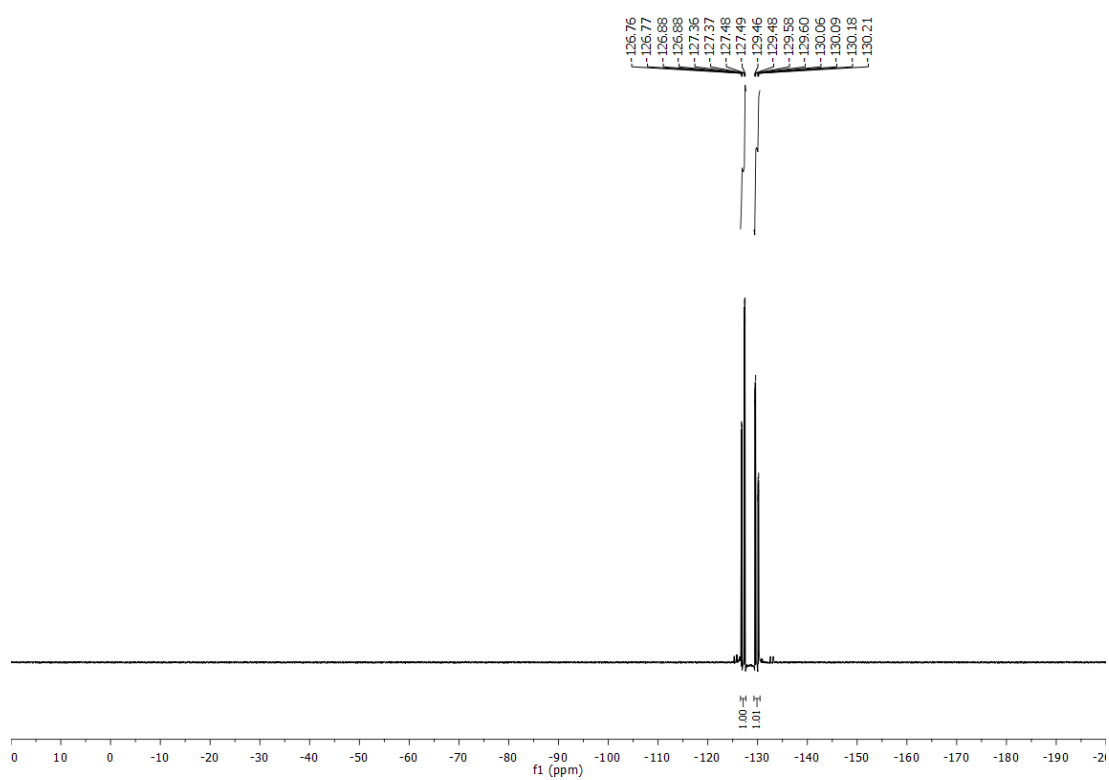
$^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (471 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = -127.12 (ddd, J = 284.9, 55.5, 5.1 Hz), -129.83 (ddd, J = 283.5, 56.7, 13.5 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) Calculated for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{26}\text{F}_2\text{OSi}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ = 313.1799, Found 313.1806.

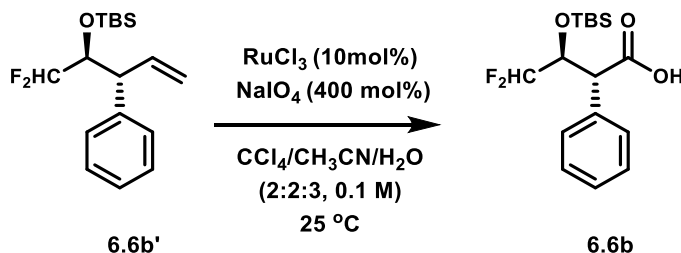
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$[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{28}$: -133.3 (c = 1.0, CHCl_3)





(2R,3S)-3-((tert-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)-4,4-difluoro-2-phenylbutanoic acid (6.6b)



To a stirred solution of **6.6b'** (109.4 mg, 0.350 mmol, 100 mol%), in 1.0 mL CCl₄, 1.0 mL CH₃CN, and 1.5 mL H₂O was added NaIO₄ (299.5 mg, 1.400 mmol, 400 mol%). After all the NaIO₄ had dissolved, RuCl₃·2H₂O (8.5 mg, 0.035 mmol, 10 mol%) was added, and the reaction mixture was stirred vigorously for 24 h at 25 °C. The contents were diluted with EtOAc (3 mL) and washed with H₂O (3 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (2 x 3 mL), and the combined organic phases were washed with brine (3 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄), filtered and the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. The residue was subjected to flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 5:1) to furnish the title compound **6.6b** (85.4 mg, 0.258 mmol) in 74% yield as a white solid.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.43 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.40 – 7.28 (m, 5H), 5.30 (td, *J* = 54.4, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.43 (dddd, *J* = 19.1, 9.7, 6.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 0.86 (s, 9H), 0.13 (s, 3H), 0.07 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 176.6, 133.1, 129.3, 128.8, 128.7, 114.2 (dd, *J* = 246.0, 242.6 Hz), 73.7 – 73.3 (m), 54.7, 25.9, 18.4, -4.5 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz), -5.2.

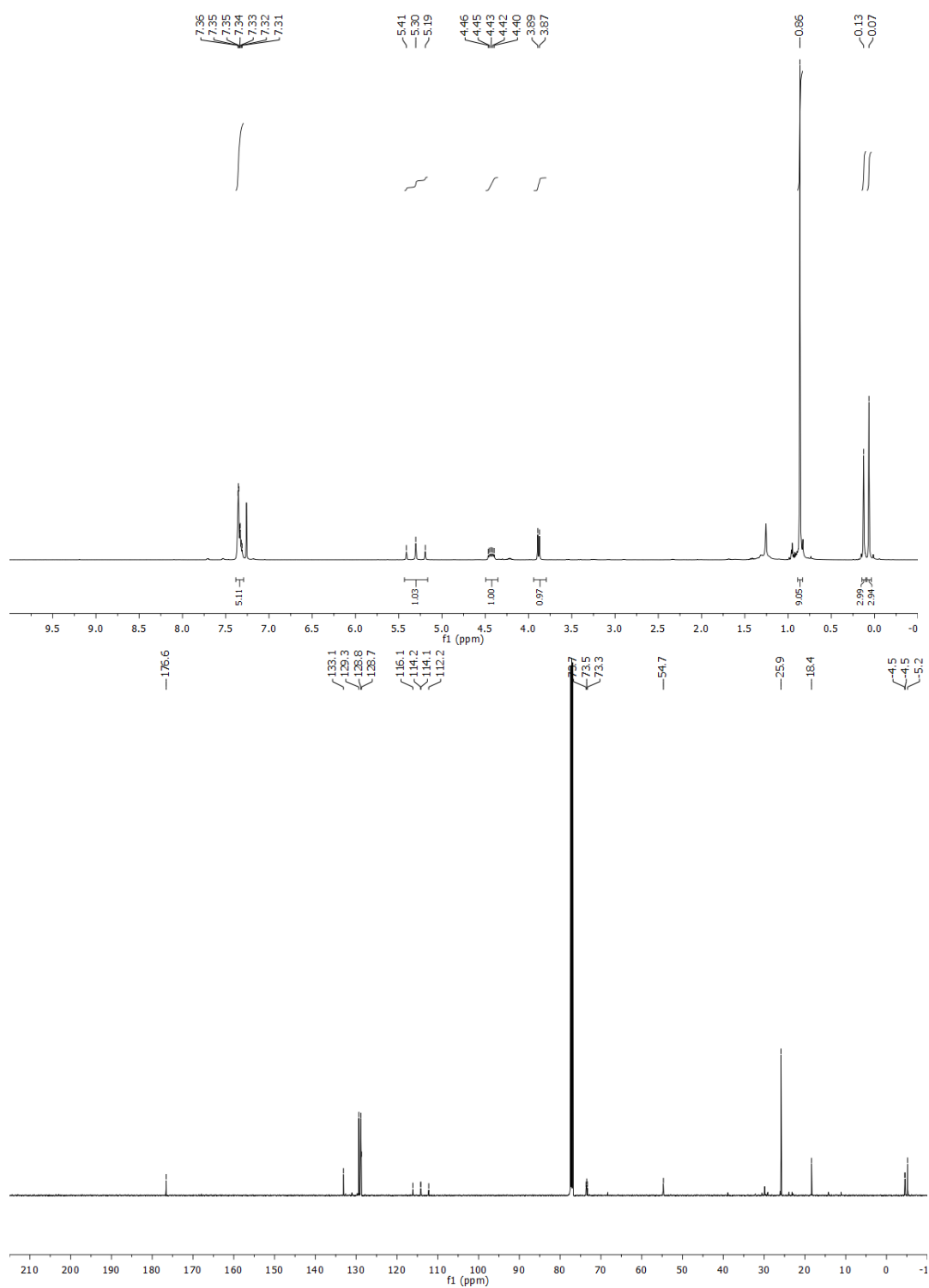
¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -127.22 (ddd, *J* = 284.4, 54.5, 4.6 Hz), -135.17 (ddd, *J* = 284.2, 54.4, 19.1 Hz).

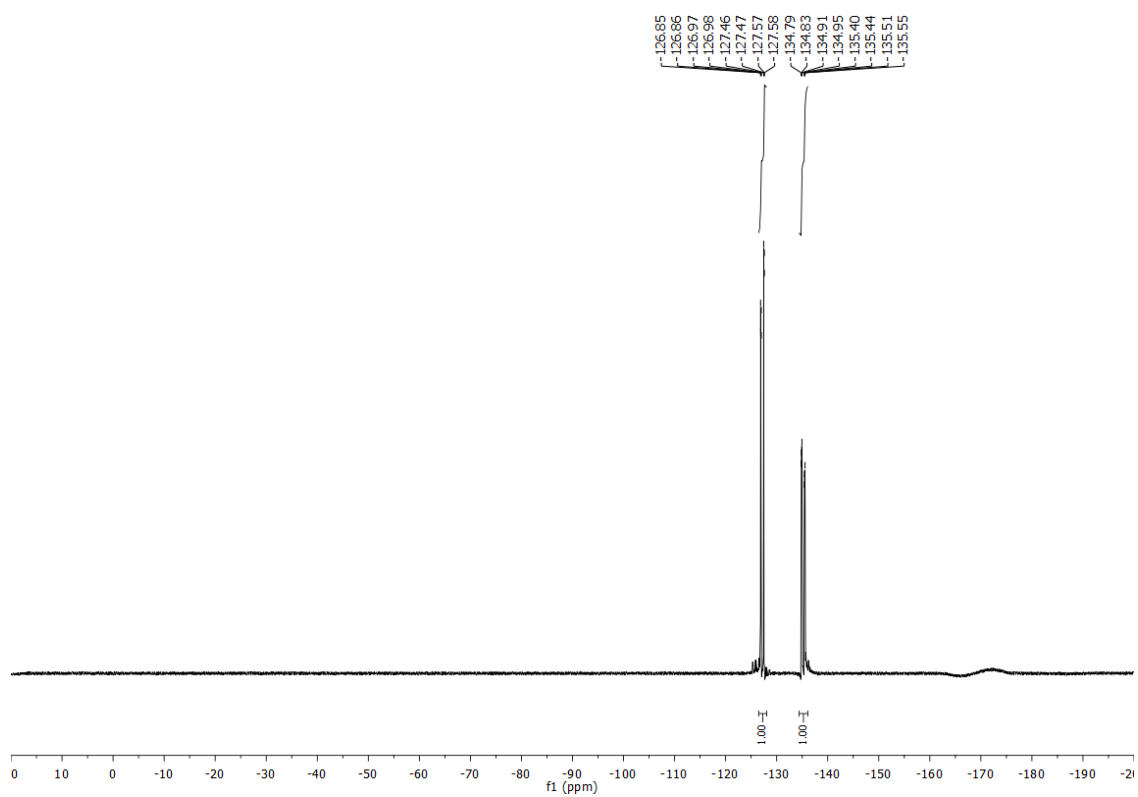
HRMS (ESI) Calculated for C₁₆H₂₄F₂O₃Si [M+Na]⁺ = 353.1355, Found 353.1361.

FTIR (neat) 2955, 2930, 2859, 1714, 1254, 1167, 1115, 1065, 935, 837, 780, 699 cm⁻¹.

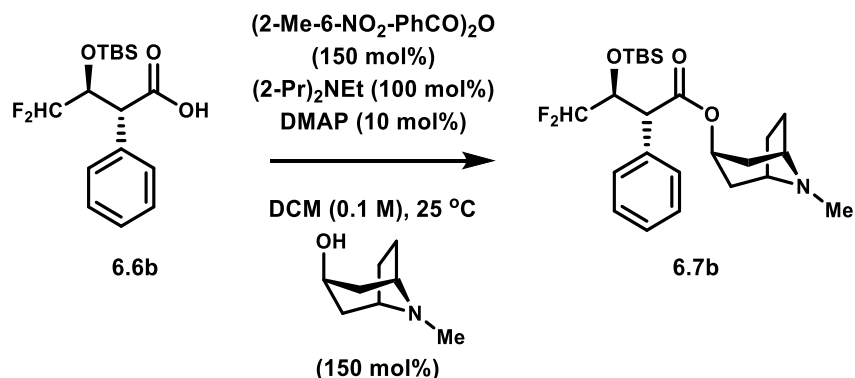
[α]_D²⁹ : -95.5 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃)

MP: 98-103 °C





(1R,3r,5S)-8-methyl-8-azabicyclo[3.2.1]octan-3-yl (2R,3S)-3-((tert-butyltrimethylsilyl)oxy)-4,4-difluoro-2-phenylbutanoate (6.7b)



A vial equipped with a magnetic stir bar was charged with **6.6b** (10.0 mg, 0.0303 mmol, 100 mol%), 2-methyl-6-nitrobenzoic anhydride (15.7 mg, 0.0455 mmol, 150 mol%), 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine (0.4 mg, 0.0030 mmol, 10 mol%) and purged with argon. Freshly distilled CH_2Cl_2 (300 μL) and *N,N*-diisopropylethylamine (5.2 μL , 0.0303 mmol, 100 mol%), were added sequentially via syringe. The resulting mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 10 minutes. Tropine (6.4 mg, 0.0455 mmol, 150 mol%) was added in a single portion at 25 °C. The reaction was stirred at 25 °C for 20 h. The reaction mixture was concentrated, and the residue was subjected to flash chromatography on basic alumina (DCM/MeOH 98:2) to furnish the title compound **6.7b** (12.1 mg, 0.0267 mmol, 4:1 dr) in 88% yield as a clear oil.

TLC (Basic Alumina) R_f = 0.50 (DCM/MeOH = 95:5).

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.36 – 7.30 (m, 5H), 5.59 (td, J = 55.8, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.99 (t, J = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 4.53 – 4.43 (m, 1H), 3.75 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 3.08 – 3.02 (m, 1H), 2.98 – 2.92 (m, 1H), 2.22 (s, 3H), 2.14 (d, J = 14.5 Hz, 1H), 2.05 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 1.88 – 1.80 (m, 1H), 1.75 – 1.62 (m, 3H), 1.47 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 1.23 – 1.17 (m, 1H), 0.73 (s, 9H), 0.03 (s, 3H), -0.29 (s, 3H).

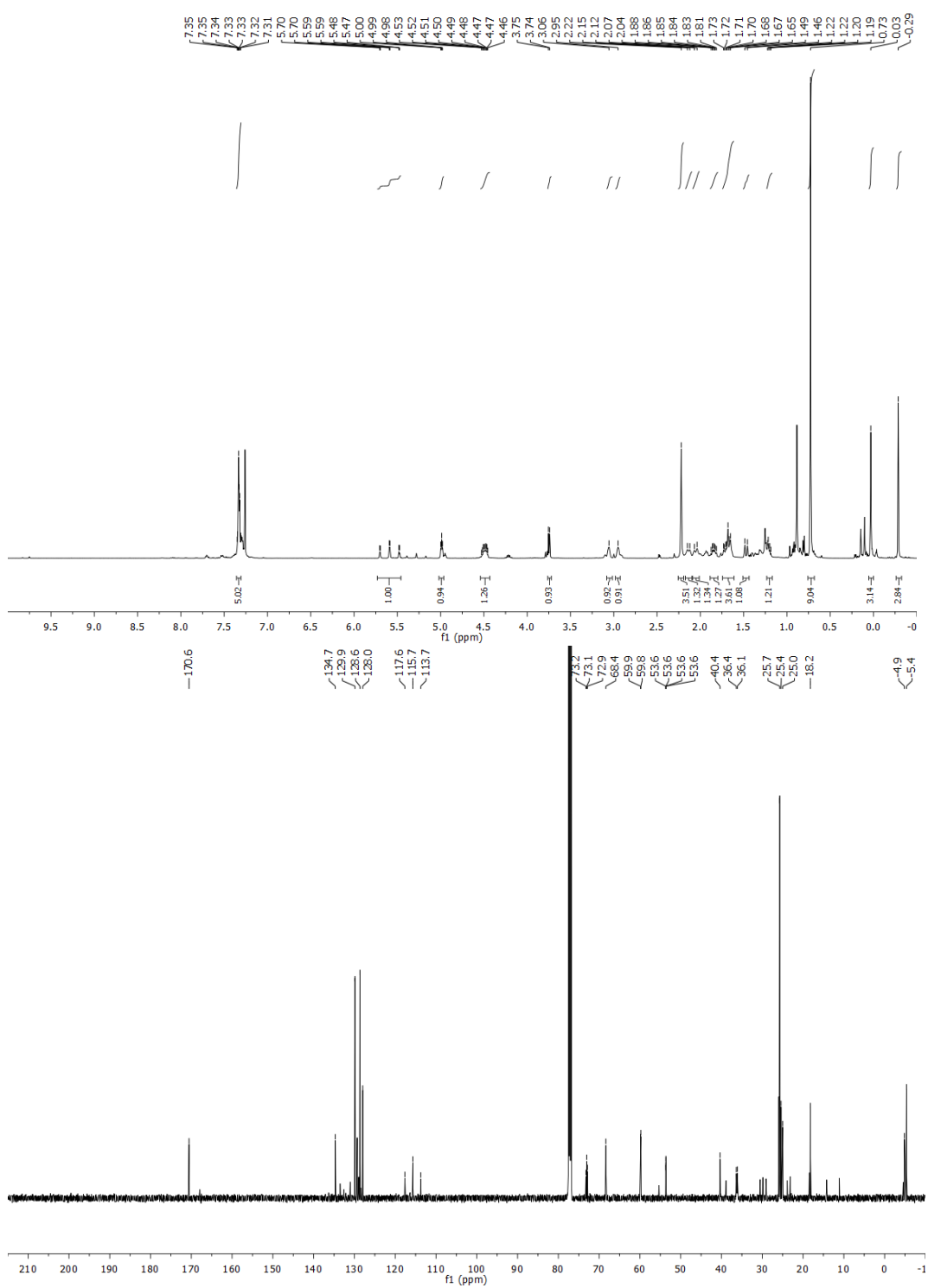
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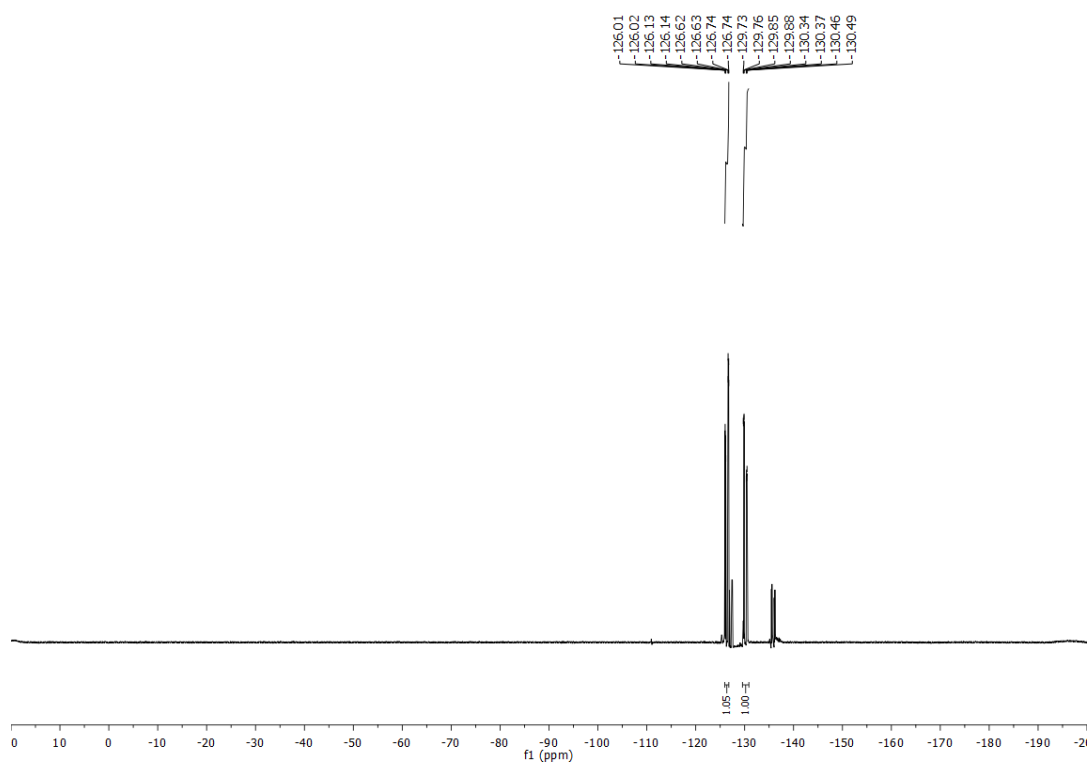
¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -126.38 (ddd, J = 285.8, 55.2, 4.6 Hz), -130.11 (ddd, J = 285.7, 56.3, 14.4 Hz).

HRMS (APPI) Calculated for C₂₄H₃₇F₂NO₃Si [M+H]⁺ = 454.2584, Found 454.2588.

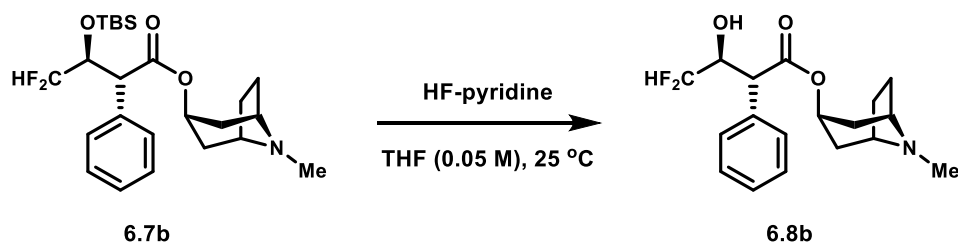
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$[\alpha]_D^{29}$: -20.5 (c = 1.0, CHCl₃)





(1R,3r,5S)-8-methyl-8-azabicyclo[3.2.1]octan-3-yl (2R,3S)-4,4-difluoro-3-hydroxy-2-phenylbutanoate (6.8b)



To a polyethylene tube charged with **6.7b** (10.0 mg, 0.0220 mmol, 100 mol%) in THF (440 μL) was added HF-pyridine (100 μL) dropwise at 25 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. The resulting mixture was stirred at 25 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 24 h. The reaction was diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 mL) and quenched by careful addition of saturated NaHCO_3 (2 mL). The reaction mixture was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (2 x 2 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was subjected to flash chromatography on basic alumina (DCM/MeOH 95:5) to furnish the title compound **6.8b** (6.0 mg, 0.0177 mmol) in 80% yield as a clear oil.

TLC (Basic Alumina) R_f = 0.40 (DCM/MeOH = 95:5).

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.42 – 7.30 (m, 5H), 5.57 (td, J = 55.7, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 5.04 (t, J = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 4.53 – 4.45 (m, 1H), 3.81 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 3.17 – 3.09 (m, 1H), 3.05 – 2.96 (m, 1H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 2.22 – 2.14 (m, 1H), 2.31 – 2.23 (m, 1H), 1.93 – 1.84 (m, 1H), 1.78 – 1.63 (m, 3H), 1.49 (d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 1.15 – 1.04 (m, 1H).

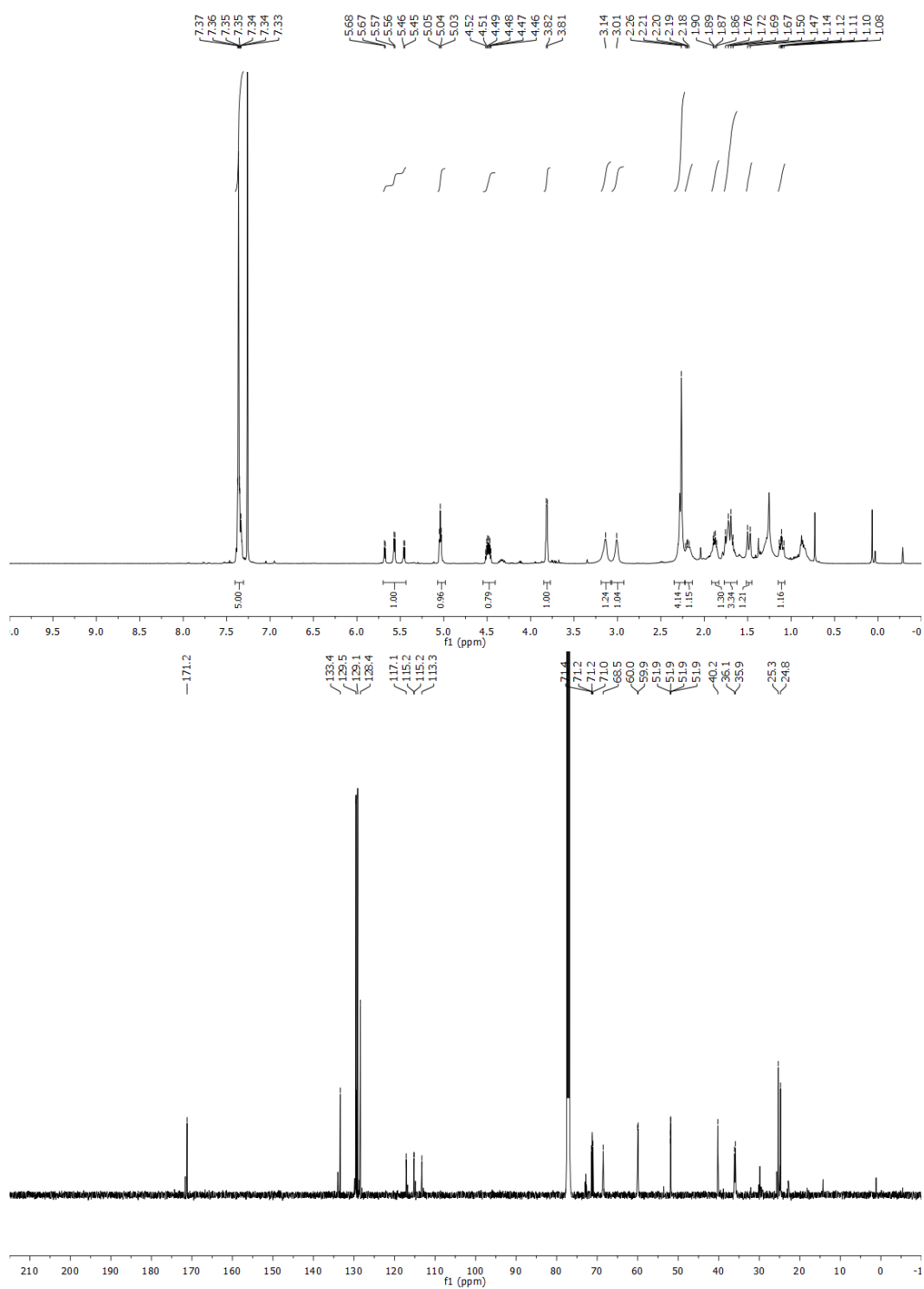
$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 171.2, 133.4, 129.5, 129.1, 128.4, 115.2 (dd, J = 244.8, 241.8 Hz), 71.2 (dd, J = 25.0, 23.3 Hz), 68.5, 60.0, 59.9, 51.9 (dd, J = 5.2, 1.9 Hz), 40.2, 36.1, 35.9, 25.3, 24.8.

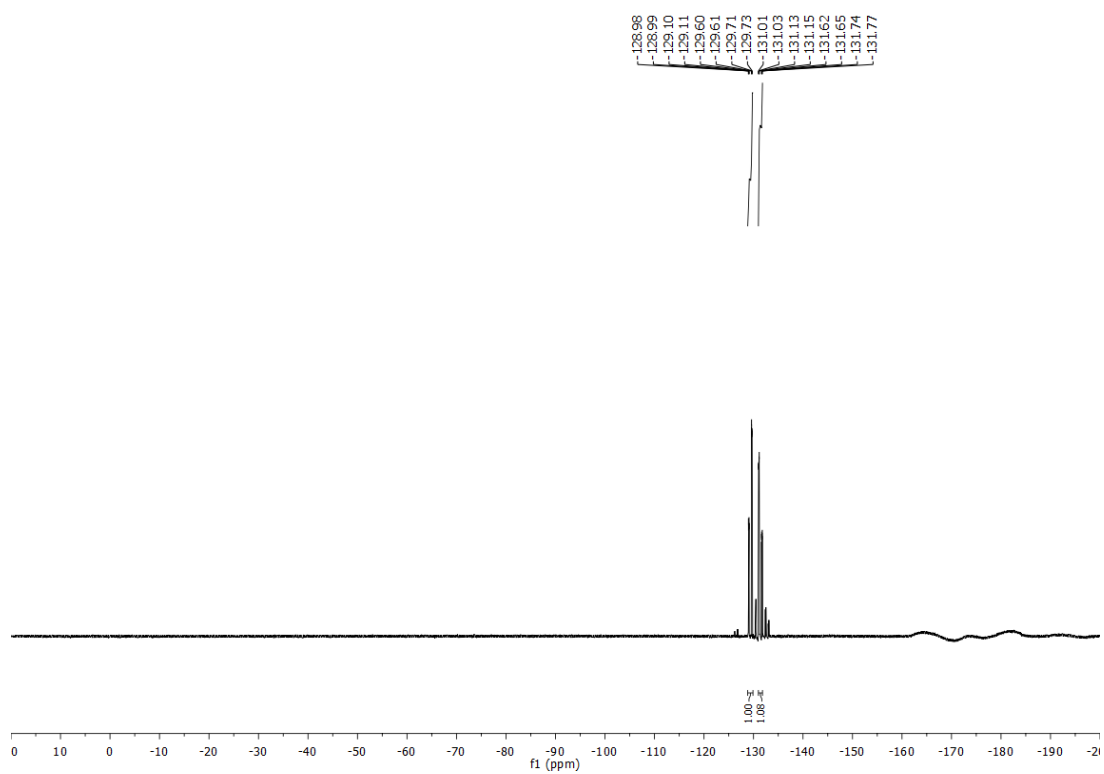
$^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (471 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = -129.35 (ddd, J = 290.7, 54.9, 6.1 Hz), -131.39 (ddd, J = 290.6, 56.4, 13.1 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) Calculated for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{23}\text{F}_2\text{NO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ = 340.1719, Found 340.1722.

FTIR (neat) 2933, 2856, 1727, 1455, 1276, 1222, 1140, 1065, 1032, 705, 667 cm⁻¹.

$[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{35}$: -18.5 ($c = 0.5$, CHCl₃)

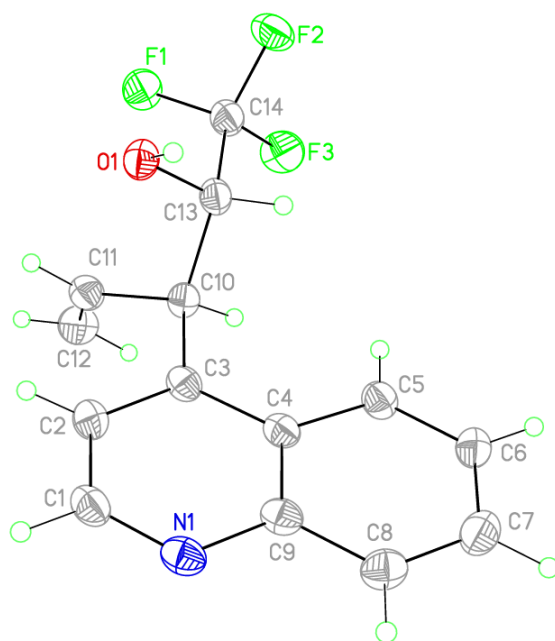




Single Crystal Diffraction Data for 6.4l

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Temperature	100(2) K
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Crystal system	orthorhombic
Space group	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 7.0471(10) \text{ Å}$ $\alpha = 90^\circ$. $b = 9.5750(14) \text{ Å}$ $\beta = 90^\circ$. $c = 18.299(3) \text{ Å}$ $\gamma = 90^\circ$.
Volume	1234.8(3) Å ³
Z	4
Density (calculated)	1.438 Mg/m ³
Absorption coefficient	1.049 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	552
Crystal size	0.260 x 0.150 x 0.060 mm ³
Theta range for data collection	4.833 to 75.048°.
Index ranges	-8 ≤ h ≤ 8, -11 ≤ k ≤ 11, -22 ≤ l ≤ 22
Reflections collected	9466
Independent reflections	2495 [R(int) = 0.0467]
Completeness to theta = 67.684°	99.9 %
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents
Max. and min. transmission	1.00 and 0.651
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	2495 / 0 / 176
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.133
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	$R_I = 0.0404$, $wR_2 = 0.1146$
R indices (all data)	$R_I = 0.0422$, $wR_2 = 0.1176$
Absolute structure parameter	-0.02(13)
Extinction coefficient	n/a
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.195 and -0.260 e.Å ⁻³

View of **6.41** showing the atom labeling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are scaled to the 50% probability level.



Chapter 7: Rhodium Catalyzed Formate Mediated Reductive Coupling of Aldehydes and Aryl Iodides*

7.1 INTRODUCTION

Since the discovery of pre-formed organometallic reagents¹, the addition of organometallic reagents to carbonyl compounds and imines² to form new C-C bond has been a milestone in chemical synthesis.³ While the requirement of cryogenic conditions and generation of stoichiometric metal byproducts complicate the applications of using organometallic reagents on practical scale. In most cases, the organometallic reagents were prepared from the corresponding organohalides, so metal catalyzed reductive coupling of organohalides with carbonyl compounds has become an alternative protocol to avoid organometallic reagents in carbonyl addition. The common reductants used in these reactions are metal reductants (Zn, Mn), toxic chromium(II) salts, pyrophoric organometallic reductants (BET₃, ZnEt₂, AlMe₃), and expensive silane reductant.⁴ Using relatively cheap, environment benign reductants, like hydrogen gas, 2-propanol and formic acid, which were used in the carbonyl and imine reductive coupling⁵ by our group, are more desirable (Figure 7.1).

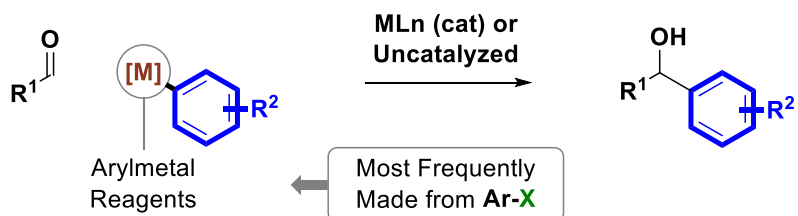
Except from Nozaki-Hiyama-Kishi reaction^{6,7}, there are very few intermolecular reductive couplings of aryl halide with aldehydes and all of those were utilizing zinc metal or Mn-Cr alloy⁸ as terminal reductants or electrochemical reduction.⁹ Recently in our lab, a hydrogen mediated intramolecular Grignard-type cyclization was reported,¹⁰ while these conditions could not promote the intermolecular coupling reaction. Even though the related redox-neutral coupling of aryl halides with aldehydes to form ketone products have been

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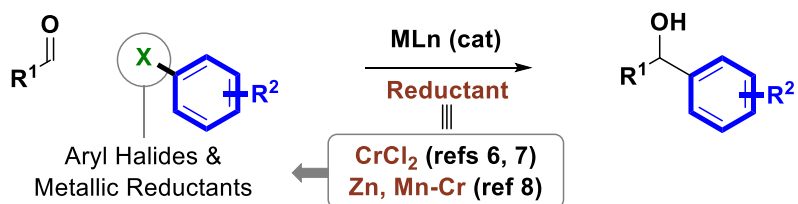
Swyka, R. A. [†]; Zhang, W. [†]; Krische, M. J. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2019**, *141*, 1828.

reported.¹¹ In this chapter, the first intermolecular metal catalyzed reductive coupling of aryl halide and aldehydes mediated by formate was described.

Classical C=O Arylation via Arylmatal Reagents



C=O Arylation via Metal Catalyzed Reductive Coupling



This Work: C=O Arylation via Transfer Hydrogenation

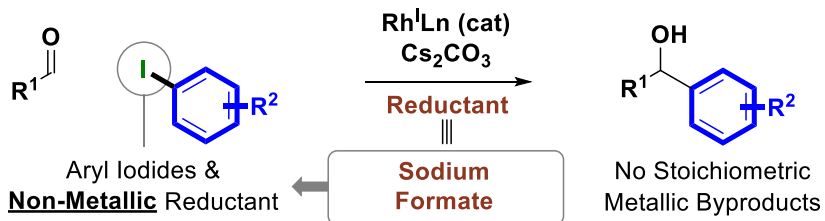
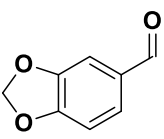

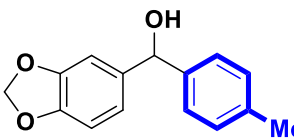


Figure 7.1 Carbonyl Arylation Strategies Comparison.

7.2 REACTION DEVELOPMENT AND SCOPE

Initial experiments started with exposing piperonal **7.1a** and iodotoluene **7.2a** to 2-propanol or sodium formate together with diverse rhodium and palladium complexes.

Table 7.1 Selected Optimization Experiments for Carbonyl Arylation to Form Adduct **7.3a**.

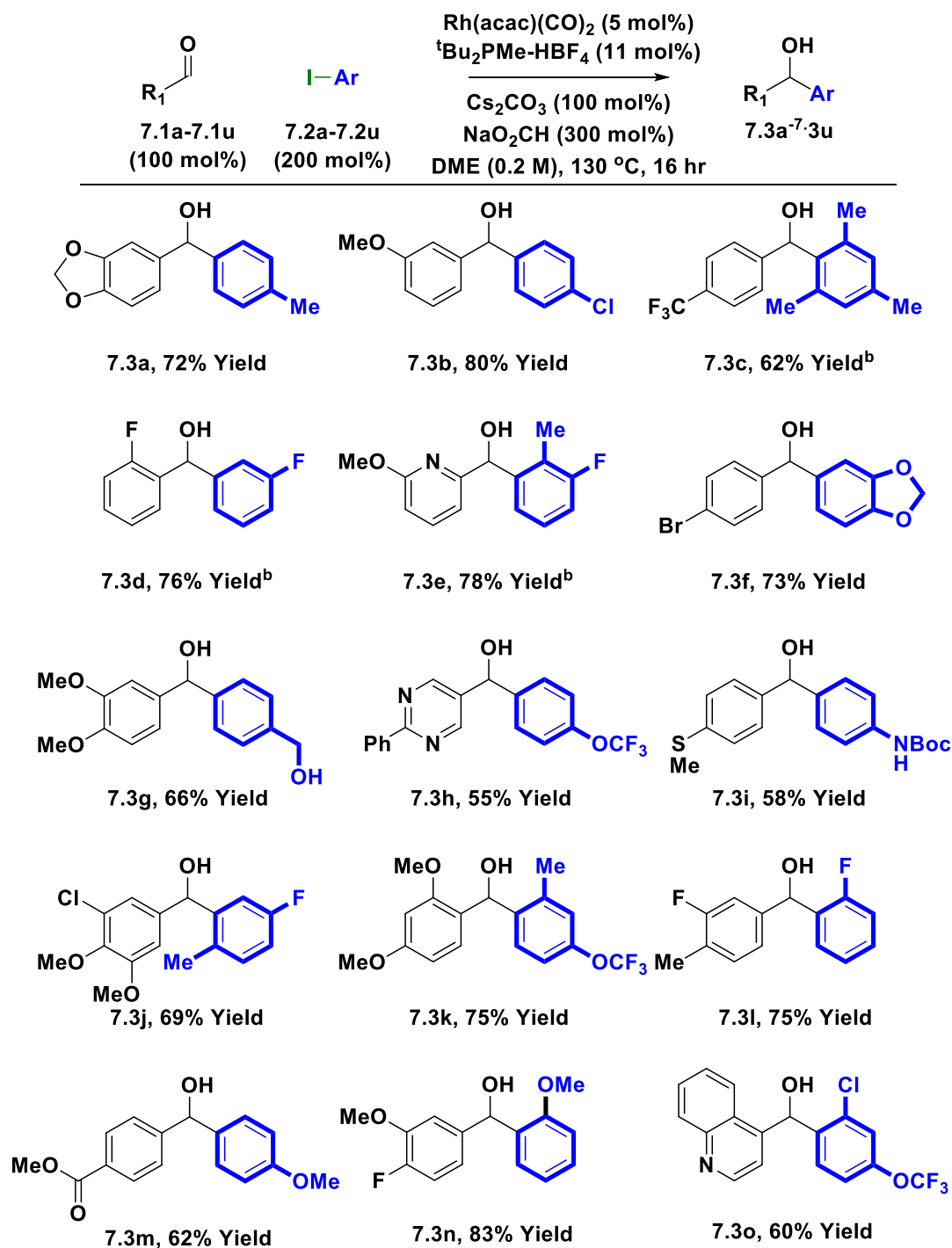
<div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>7.1a (100 mol%)</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>7.2a (200 mol%)</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Rh-complex (5 mol%) ligand (11 mol%) reductant (300 mol%) Cs₂CO₃ (100 mol%) solvent (0.2 M) 130 °C, 16 hr</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>7.3a</p> </div> </div>					
entry	catalyst	reductant	ligand	solvent	yield (%)
1	Rh(acac)(CO) ₂	NaO ₂ CH	PCy ₃	Dioxane	12
2	Rh(acac)(CO) ₂	NaO ₂ CH	P ^t Bu ₃	Dioxane	25
3	Rh(acac)(CO) ₂	NaO ₂ CH	PPh ₂ Cy	Dioxane	8
4	Rh(acac)(CO) ₂	NaO ₂ CH	dppe	Dioxane	trace
5	Rh(acac)(CO) ₂	NaO ₂ CH	dCype	Dioxane	trace
6	Rh(acac)(CO) ₂	NaO ₂ CH	dippf	Dioxane	trace
7	Rh(acac)(CO) ₂	NaO ₂ CH	dppf	Dioxane	11
8	Rh(acac)(CO) ₂	NaO ₂ CH	^t Bu ₂ PMe	Dioxane	40
9	Rh(acac)(CO) ₂	NaO ₂ CH	^t Bu ₂ PMe	^t AmylOH	64
→ 10	Rh(acac)(CO) ₂	NaO ₂ CH	^t Bu ₂ PMe	DME	72
11	Rh(acac)(CO) ₂	NaO ₂ CH	^t Bu ₂ PMe	DME	n.d. ^b
12	Rh(acac)(CO) ₂	CsO ₂ CH	^t Bu ₂ PMe	DME	17 ^b
13	Rh(acac)(CO) ₂	LiO ₂ CH	^t Bu ₂ PMe	DME	44
14	Rh(acac)(CO) ₂	NH ₄ O ₂ CH	^t Bu ₂ PMe	DME	18
15	Rh(acac)(CO) ₂	ⁱ PrOH	^t Bu ₂ PMe	DME	trace
16	Rh(acac)(CO) ₂	H ₂ (1 atm)	^t Bu ₂ PMe	DME	trace ^c
17	[RhCl(CO) ₂] ₂	NaO ₂ CH	^t Bu ₂ PMe	DME	47
18	[Rh(cod)Cl] ₂	NaO ₂ CH	^t Bu ₂ PMe	DME	27
19	Rh(cod) ₂ BF ₄	NaO ₂ CH	^t Bu ₂ PMe	DME	16
20	Rh(acac)(CO) ₂	NaO ₂ CH	^t Bu ₂ PMe	DME	56 ^d

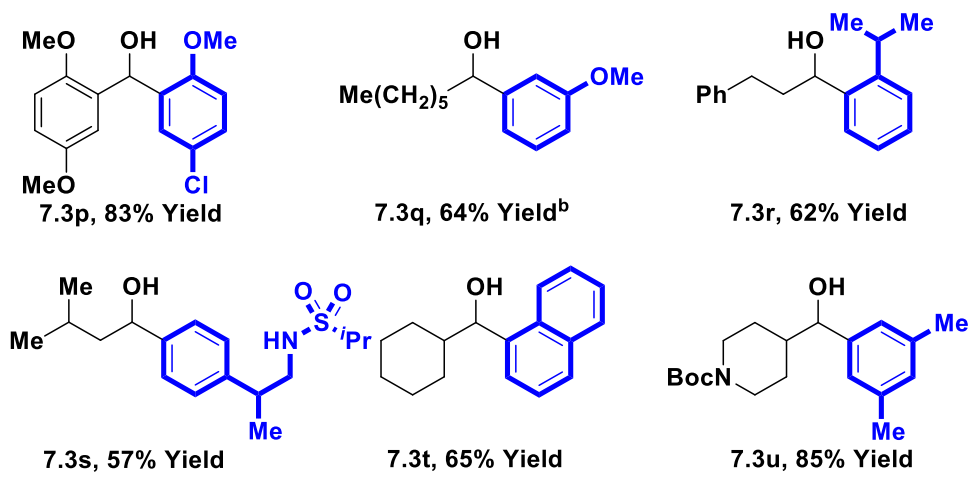
^aYields are material isolated by silica gel chromatography. ^tBu₂PMe·HBF₄ was employed as ligand precursor. P^tBu₃ was used as a 1.0 M solution in toluene. Lithium formate was used as the monohydrate. The loading of bidentate ligands was 5.5 mol%. The loading of dimeric rhodium pre-catalyst was 2.5 mol%. See supporting Information for further experimental details. ^bNo Cs₂CO₃. ^c75 °C in DME or 130 °C in diglyme. ^d**7.2a** (150 mol%).

In the conditions when Rh(acac)(CO)₂ (5 mol%), PCy₃ (11 mol%), sodium formate (300 mol%), and Cs₂CO₃ (100 mol%) were used in dioxane under 130 °C, the desired coupling product **7.3a** was obtained with 12% yield (Table 7.1, entry 1). Diverse ligands were tested under these conditions (Table 7.1, entries 2-8), and it was found that ^tBu₂PMe modified rhodium complex was relatively efficient in promoting the reductive coupling and provided adduct **7.3a** in 40% isolated yield (Table 7.1, entry 8). Different solvents were evaluated, and yields were improved to 64% and 72% by using *tert*-amyl alcohol (Table 7.1, entry 9) and dimethoxyethane (Table 7.1, entry 10), respectively. Later on, more formate salts, 2-propanol and hydrogen gas were also evaluated as terminal reductants, no improvement on the yield was observed. Other rhodium pre-catalysts could not provide the similar efficiency in the reaction. Lower loading of both aryl halide **7.2a** and sodium formate led to the decrease of isolation yield of adduct **7.3a**.

With the optimal conditions in hand, a wide range of substrates were applied to the reductive coupling to form secondary alcohols **7.3a-7.3u** (Table 7.2). Both aromatic **7.1a-7.1p** and aliphatic aldehydes **7.1q-7.1u** were engaged in the reductive coupling with aryl halides efficiently and diverse functional groups were tolerated. In the formation of **7.3b**, **7.3f**, **7.3j**, **7.3o**, and **7.3p**, lower halides (aryl chloride and aryl bromide) didn't disturb the activation of aryl halides to form the desired coupling adducts. Also, fluorine-containing functional groups were tolerated. Notably, 2-fluoroiodobenzene **7.2l** and 2-chloroiodobenzene **7.2o** were converted to adducts **7.3l** and **7.3o** without potential aryne formation.¹² Acidic hydrogens, like OH- and NH-groups, were also tolerated under our conditions, which was demonstrated by formation of **7.3g**, **7.3i**, and **7.3s**. Heterocyclic moiety containing secondary alcohols **7.3e**, **7.3h**, and **7.3o** were successfully obtained under reductive coupling. Steric hindered aryl iodide **7.2c** could engage in the coupling

Table 7.2 Formate Mediated Reductive Coupling of Aldehydes **7.1a-7.1u** to Aryl Iodides **7.2a-7.2u** to Form Adducts **7.3a-7.3u**.





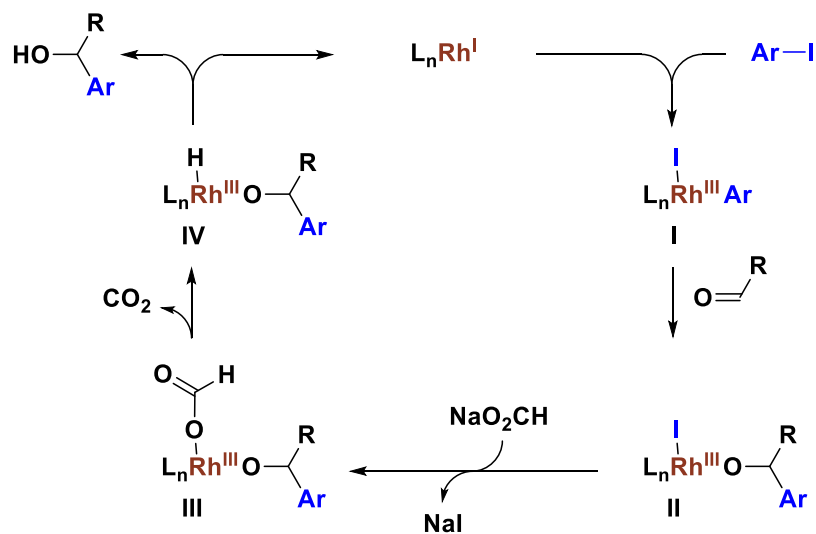
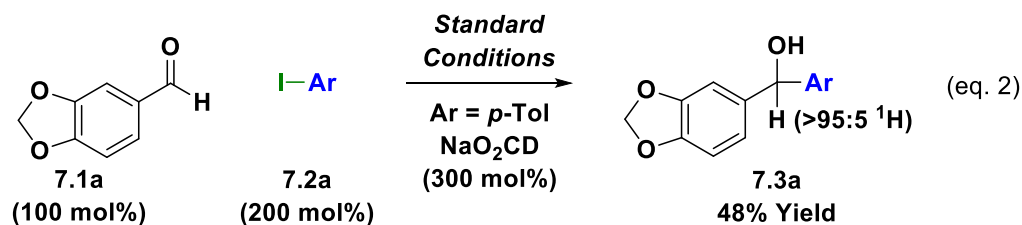
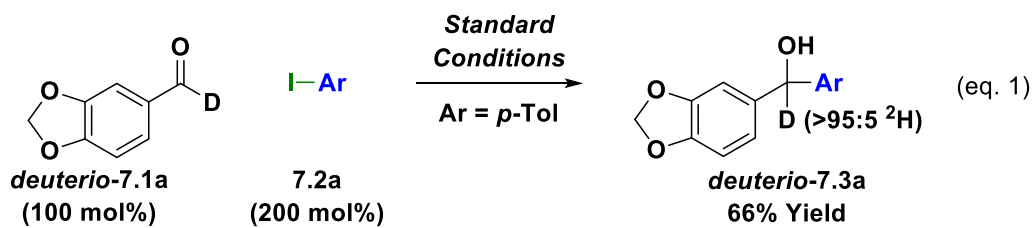
^aYields are material isolated by silica gel chromatography. See supporting Information for further experimental details. ^b[RhCl(CO)₂]₂ (2.5 mol%) was used.

was very impressive. Finally, both linear and branched aliphatic aldehydes **7.1q-7.1u** were converted to the corresponding adducts **7.3q-7.3u** with good yields.

7.3 MECHANISM AND DISCUSSION

Deuterium labelling experiments were conducted to help us to understand how the reaction proceeded (Scheme 7.1). When *deuterio-7.1a* and **7.2a** were used under the standard conditions, *deuterio-7.3a* was isolated with 77% yield and the carbinol position was fully deuterium incorporated. When NaO₂CD (300 mol%) was used instead under standard conditions, the isolated product did not have deuterium incorporated. These data suggested that the coupling adduct did not form via formate mediated reduction of ketones, which could derive from rhodium alkoxide via β-elimination. To further prove this, aryl ketones were subjected to the standard conditions and only trace carbonyl reduction

Scheme 7.1 Deuterium Labelling Experiments and Proposed Catalytic Mechanism for Formate Mediated Arylation.



product was observed.

Based on the deuterium study results, the catalytic mechanism for this rhodium catalyzed formate mediated reductive coupling of aryl halides and aldehydes was proposed (Scheme 7.1). Oxidative addition of aryl halide delivered rhodium(III) complex **I**. Coordination of aldehyde followed by carbonyl insertion into the rhodium-aryl bond to form the rhodium alkoxide **II**. Rhodium formate complex **III** was formed via ligand exchange with the sodium formate. Release of carbon dioxide gas via β -hydride elimination formed the rhodium hydride species **IV**. Final reductive elimination regenerated rhodium(I) and closed the catalytic cycle.

7.4 CONCLUSION

In summary, the first example of reductive carbonyl arylation using non-metallic reductant was reported here. This method was applied to a broad range of substrates with functional groups, for example, lower halides and protic functional groups, which were not compatible with traditional organometallic reagents. This work also expanded the scope of hydrogen transfer mediated C-C bond forming reactions.

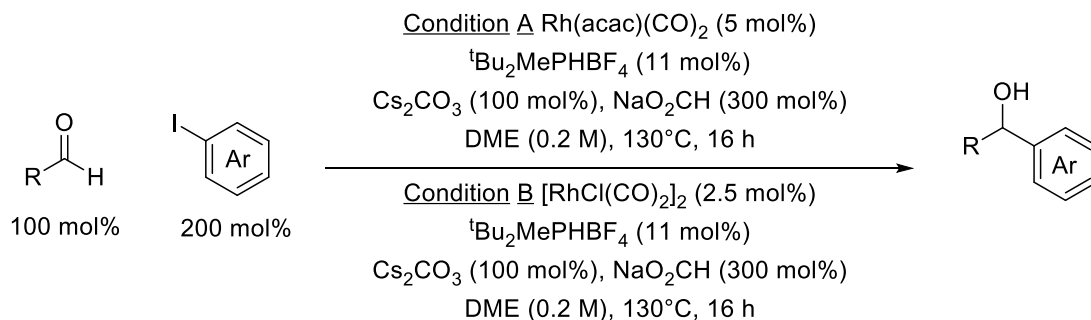
7.5 EXPERIMENTAL DETAILS

General Information

Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were performed using oven-dried glassware under an atmosphere of dry Ar. Rh-catalyzed cycloaddition reactions were conducted in pressure tubes (13 x 100 mm) sealed with PTFE-lined caps. Analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was carried out using 0.25 mm commercial silica gel plates. Visualization was accomplished with UV light followed by dipping in a cerium ammonium molybdate, *p*-anisaldehyde, or potassium permanganate solution and heating. Purification of reaction products was carried out by flash column chromatography using 40-63 μ m silica gel. Unless otherwise noted, reagents were purchased from commercial sources, and used as received. Deuterated substrate was prepared according to a previously reported protocol. 1,2 dimethoxyethane was obtained from Sigma-Aldrich in a septum sealed bottle. Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (^1H NMR) spectra were recorded on VARIAN INOVA, DirectDrive, or MR spectrometers (400 or 500 MHz) or on a Bruker AVANCE III 500 equipped with a BBFO Prodigy liquid nitrogen CryoProbe. Carbon nuclear magnetic resonance (^{13}C NMR) spectra were recorded on a Bruker AVANCE III 500. Chemical shifts (δ) for protons are reported in parts per million (ppm) downfield from tetramethylsilane, and are referenced to the proton resonance of residual CHCl_3 in the NMR solvent ($\delta = 7.26$ ppm). Chemical shifts (δ) for carbon are reported in ppm downfield from tetramethylsilane, and are referenced to the carbon resonances of the solvent peak ($\delta = 77.16$ ppm). NMR data are represented as follows: chemical shift (ppm), multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet), coupling constant in Hertz (Hz), and integration. Exact mass determinations were obtained by electrospray ionization (ESI) on an Agilent Technologies 6530 Accurate-Mass Q-TOF spectrometer or chemical

ionization (CI) on a Waters Micromass AutoSpec Ultima spectrometer. Infrared spectra were recorded on a Thermo Nicolet 380 spectrometer. Uncorrected melting points were measured on a Thomas Hoover Capillary Melting Point Apparatus.

General Procedure and Spectral Data for Arylation Reactions

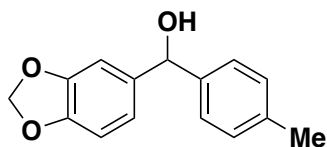


General procedure A: A resalable pressure tube (13 x 100 mm) was charged with $\text{Rh}(\text{acac})(\text{CO})_2$ (2.6 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), Di-tert-butyl(methyl)phosphonium tetrafluoroborate (5.5 mg, 0.022 mmol, 11 mol%), reactant aldehyde (0.20 mmol, 100 mol%), and reactant aryl iodide (0.4 mmol, 200 mol%). The tube was sealed with a rubber septum and purged with Ar for 10 min. DME (1 mL, 0.2 M with respect to the aldehyde reactant) was injected, and the rubber septum was quickly replaced with a PTFE-lined screw cap. The tube was placed in a 130°C oil bath for 16 h. After cooling to room temperature, to the crude mixture was added a minimal amount of silica and concentrated *in vacuo*, the resultant powder was subjected to flash column chromatography (SiO_2) to afford the desired product.

General procedure B: A resalable pressure tube (13 x 100 mm) was charged with $[\text{Rh}(\text{Cl})(\text{CO})_2]_2$ (1.9 mg, 0.01 mmol, 2.5 mol%), Di-tert-butyl(methyl)phosphonium tetrafluoroborate (5.5 mg, 0.022 mmol, 11 mol%), reactant aldehyde (0.20 mmol, 100 mol%), and reactant aryl iodide (0.4 mmol, 200 mol%). The tube was sealed with a rubber septum and purged with Ar for 10 min. DME (1 mL, 0.2 M with respect to the aldehyde reactant) was injected, and the rubber septum was quickly replaced with a PTFE-lined screw cap. The tube was placed in a 130 °C oil bath for 16 h. After cooling to room

temperature, to the crude mixture was added a minimal amount of silica and concentrated *in vacuo*, the resultant powder was subjected to flash column chromatography (SiO_2) to afford the desired product.

benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl(p-tolyl)methanol (7.3a)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure A using piperonal (30.0 mg, 0.2 mmol, 100 mol%) and 4-iodotoluene (87.2 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 10:1) provided the title compound (34.8 mg, 144 μ mol) in 72% yield as a white solid.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.33 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 4:1).

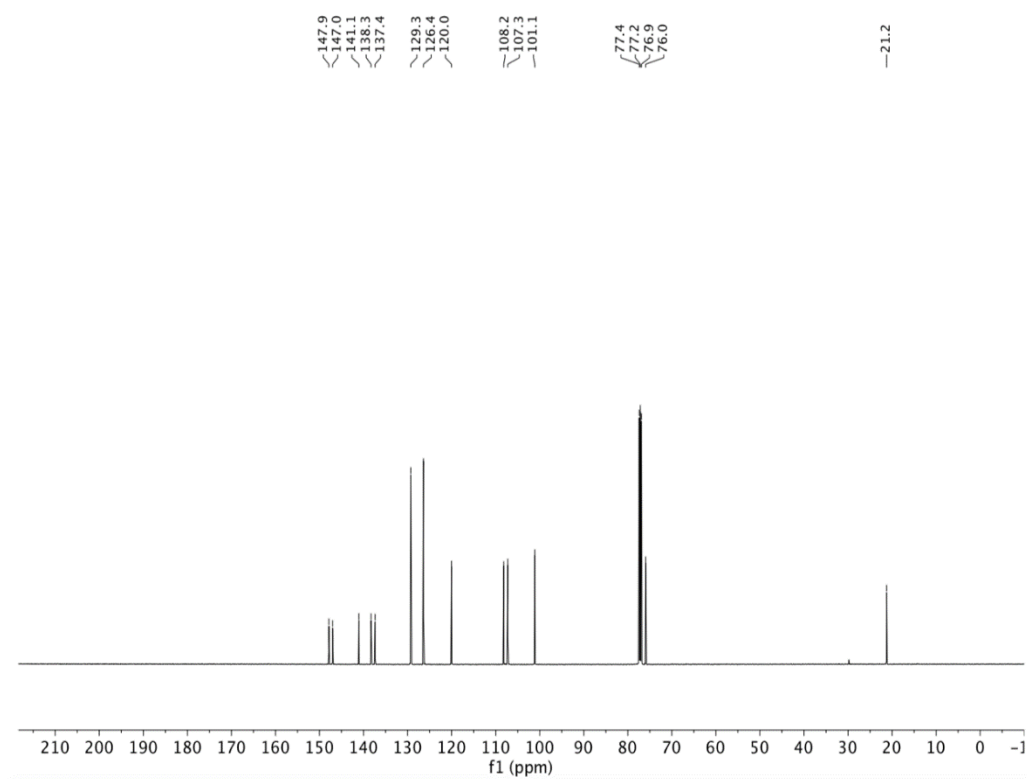
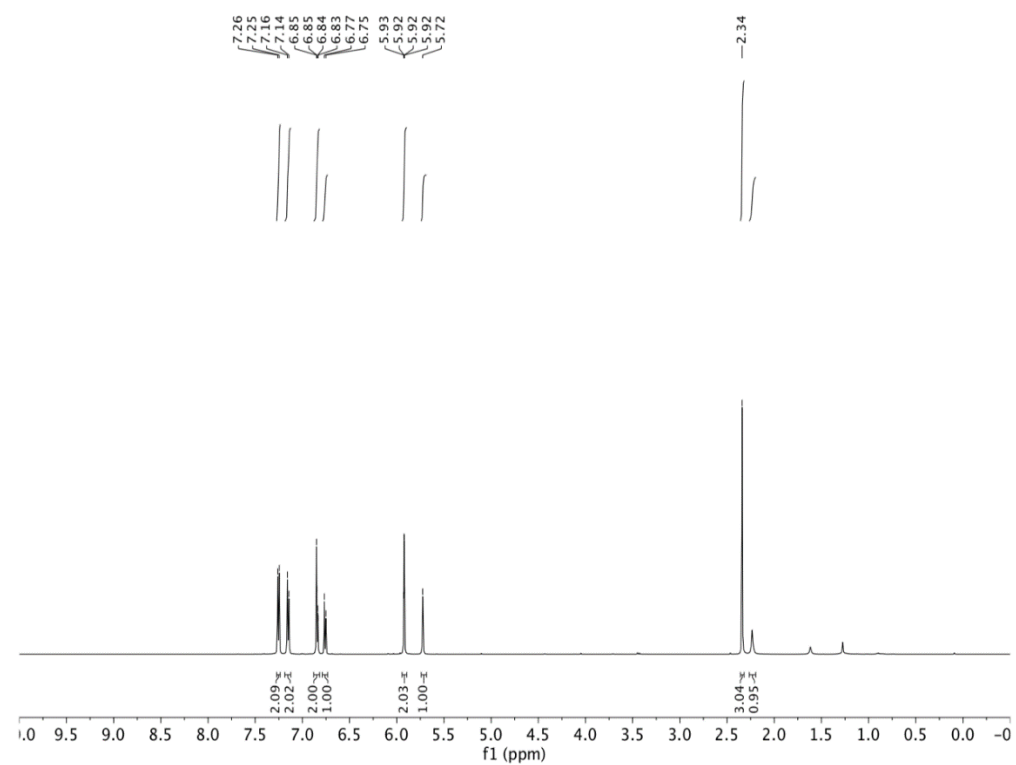
¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.25 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.86 – 6.81 (m, 2H), 6.76 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 5.92 (q, J = 1.4 Hz, 2H), 5.72 (s, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 2.23 (s, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 147.9, 147.0, 141.1, 138.3, 137.4, 129.3, 126.4, 120.0, 108.2, 107.3, 101.1, 76.0, 21.2.

HRMS (Cl⁺): mass calculated for [M]⁺ (for C₁₅H₁₂O₃) requires m/z 242.0943, found m/z 242.0943

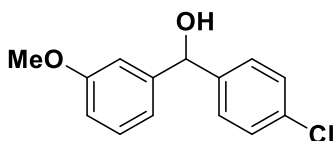
FTIR (neat) 3310, 2887, 2359, 1739, 1124, 1442, 1371, 1240, 1031, 928, 760 cm⁻¹.

MP 62-63°C



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(4-chlorophenyl)(3-methoxyphenyl)methanol (7.3b)



The reaction was conducted in accordance with general procedure A using *m*-anisaldehyde (24 μ L, 0.2 mmol, 100 mol%) and 4-chloriodobenzene (95.2 mg, 0.4 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash column chromatography (SiO₂, hexanes/EtOAc = 10:1) provided 40 mg (80%, 0.161 mmol) of the title compound as a colorless oil.

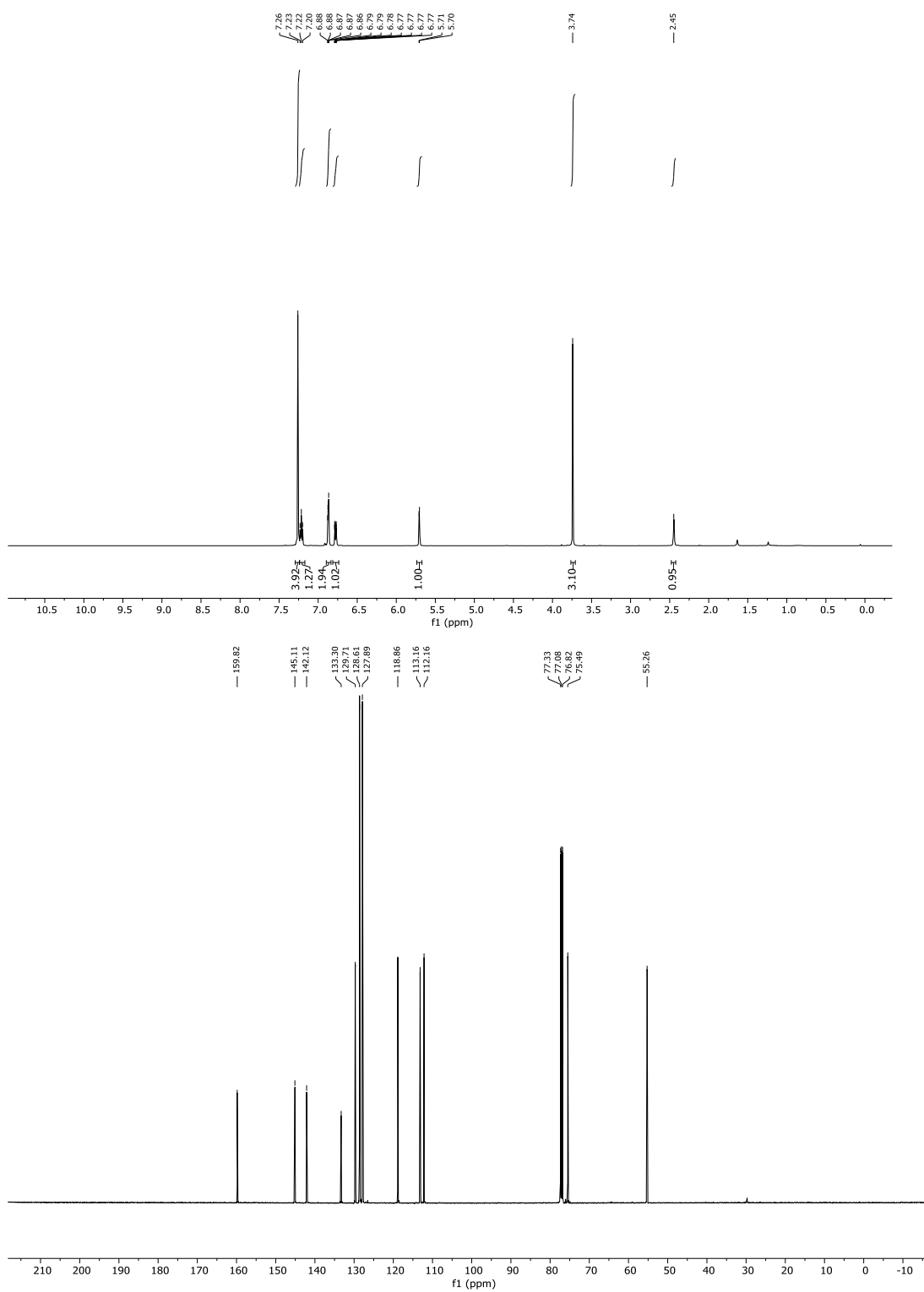
TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.43 (hexanes : EtOAc = 4:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.26 (s, 3H), 7.22 (t, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (dd, J = 4.4, 2.1 Hz, 2H), 6.81 – 6.70 (m, 1H), 5.70 (s, 1H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 2.45 (d, J = 3.1 Hz, 1H).

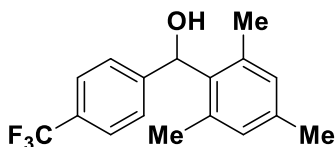
¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 159.8, 145.1, 142.1, 133.3, 129.7, 128.6, 127.9, 118.9, 113.2, 112.2, 75.5, 55.3.

HRMS (Cl⁺): mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₄H₁₃O₂Cl) requires m/z 248.0604, found m/z 248.0602.

FTIR (neat): 3386, 2939, 2835, 1738, 1488, 1454, 1256, 1035, 1013, 836, 783, 751, 699 cm⁻¹.



mesityl(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)methanol (7.3c)



The reaction was conducted in accordance with general procedure B with 4-trifluoromethylbenzaldehyde (27 μ L, 0.2 mmol, 100mol%) and mesityl iodide (98.4 mg, 0.4 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash column chromatography (SiO₂, hexanes : EtOAc = 10:1) provided 36 mg (62%, 0.122 mmol) of the title compound as a white solid.

TLC (SiO₂): R_f = 0.6 (hexanes : EtOAc = 4:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.56 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (s, 1H), 6.33 (s, 0H), 2.29 (s, 1H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 2.23 – 2.14 (m, 1H).

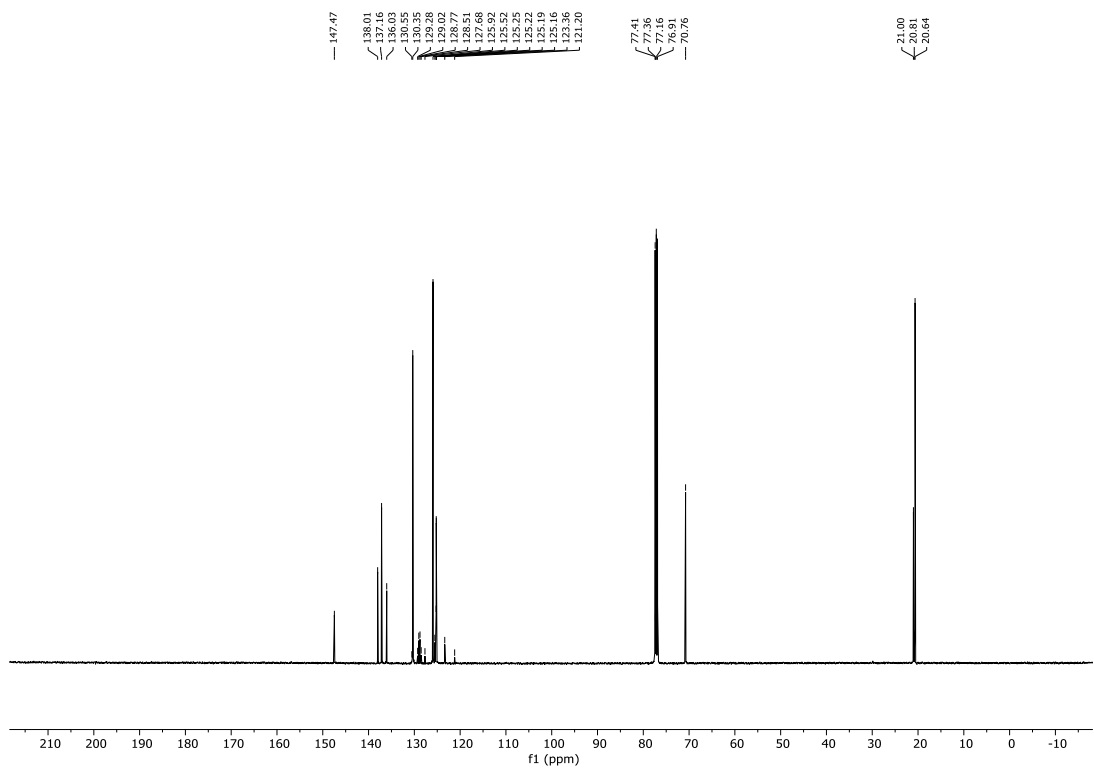
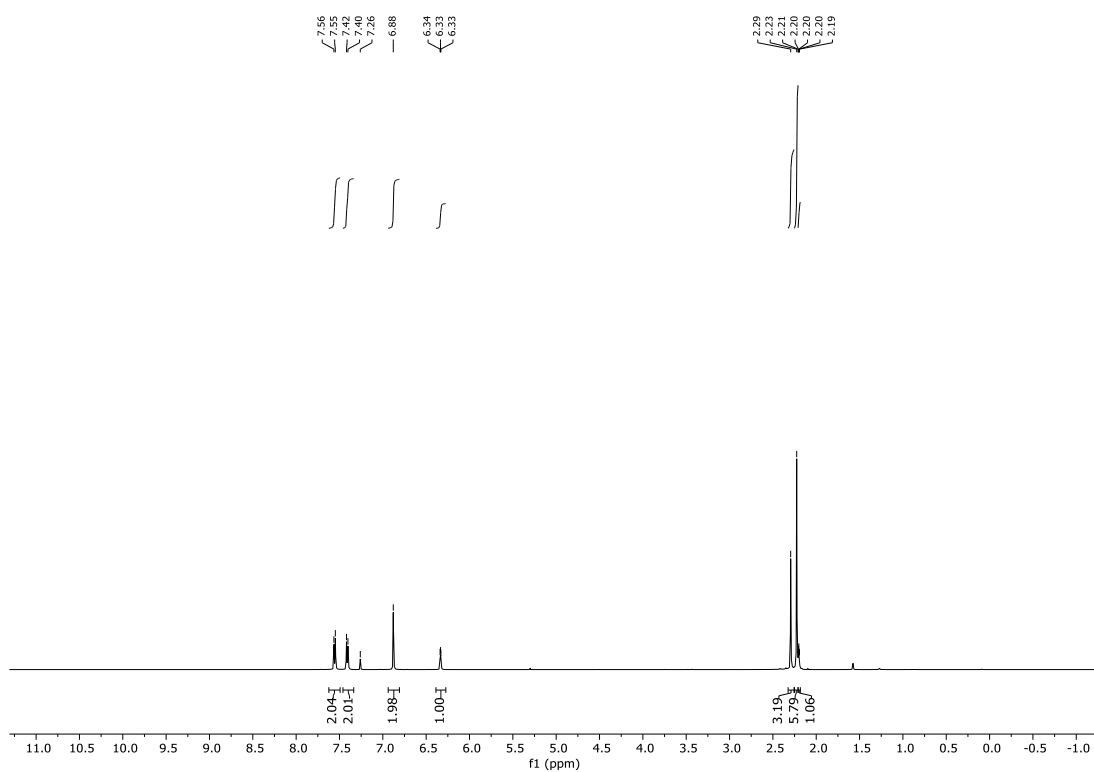
¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 147.5, 138.0, 137.2, 136.0, 130.4, 128.9 (q, J = 32.3 Hz), 125.9, 125.2 (q, J = 3.8 Hz), 124.4 (q, J = 271.8 Hz), 70.8, 21.0, 20.6.

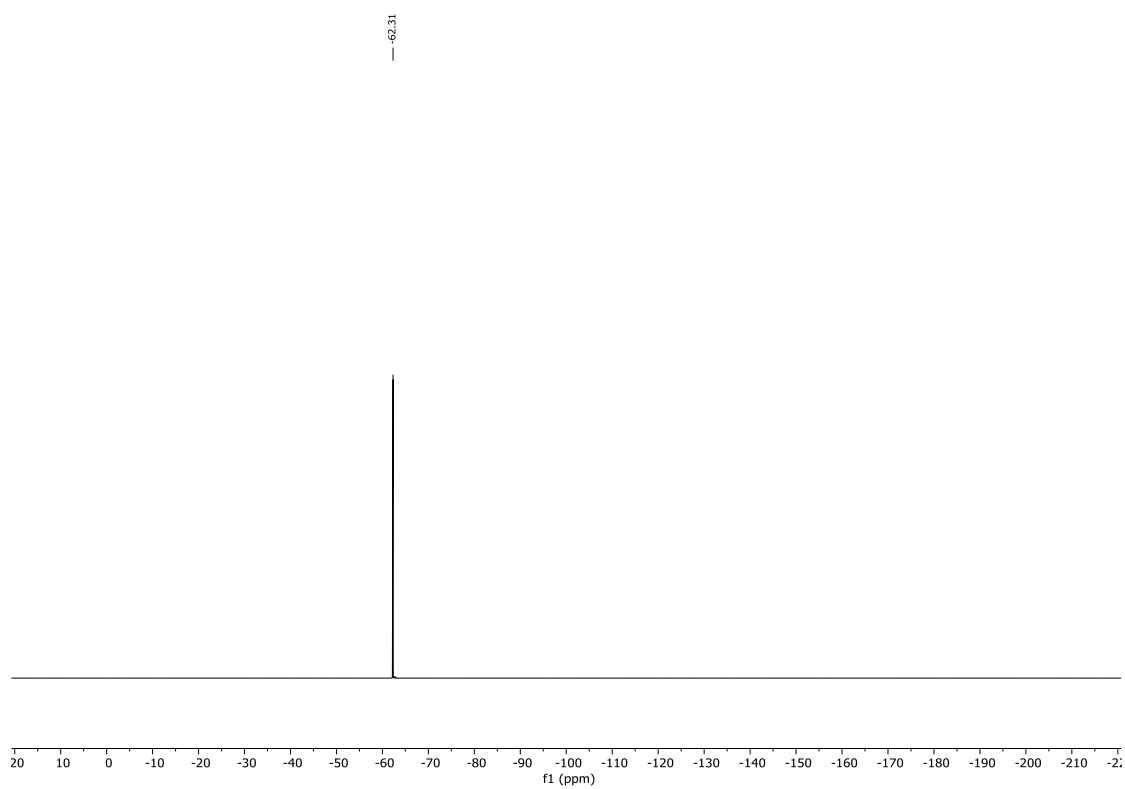
¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.31.

HRMS (CI⁺): mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₇H₁₇OF₃) requires m/z 294.1232, found m/z 294.1235.

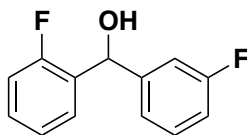
FTIR (neat): 3332, 2922, 1737, 1616, 1454, 1319, 1109, 1066, 1034, 859, 714 cm⁻¹.

MP 68 °C.





(2-fluorophenyl)(3-fluorophenyl)methanol (7.3d)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure B using 2-fluorobenzaldehyde (24.8 mg, 0.2mmol, 100 mol%) and 3-fluoriodobenzene (88.8 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 15:1 to 12:1) provided the title compound (33.5 mg, 152 μ mol) in 76% yield as a light-yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.38 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 4:1).

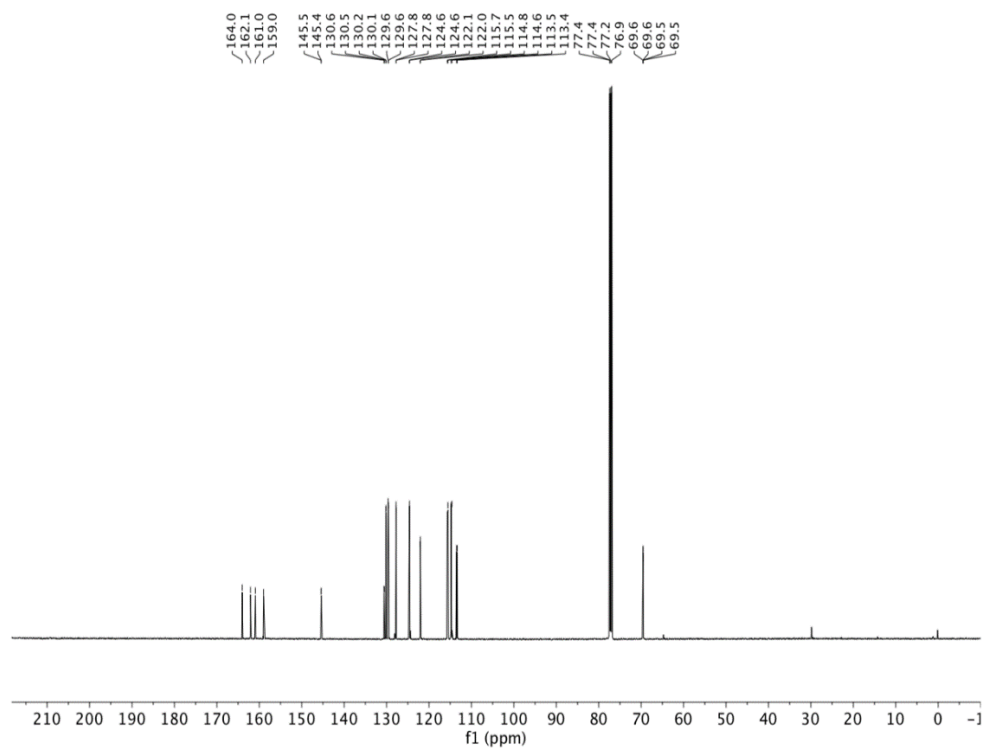
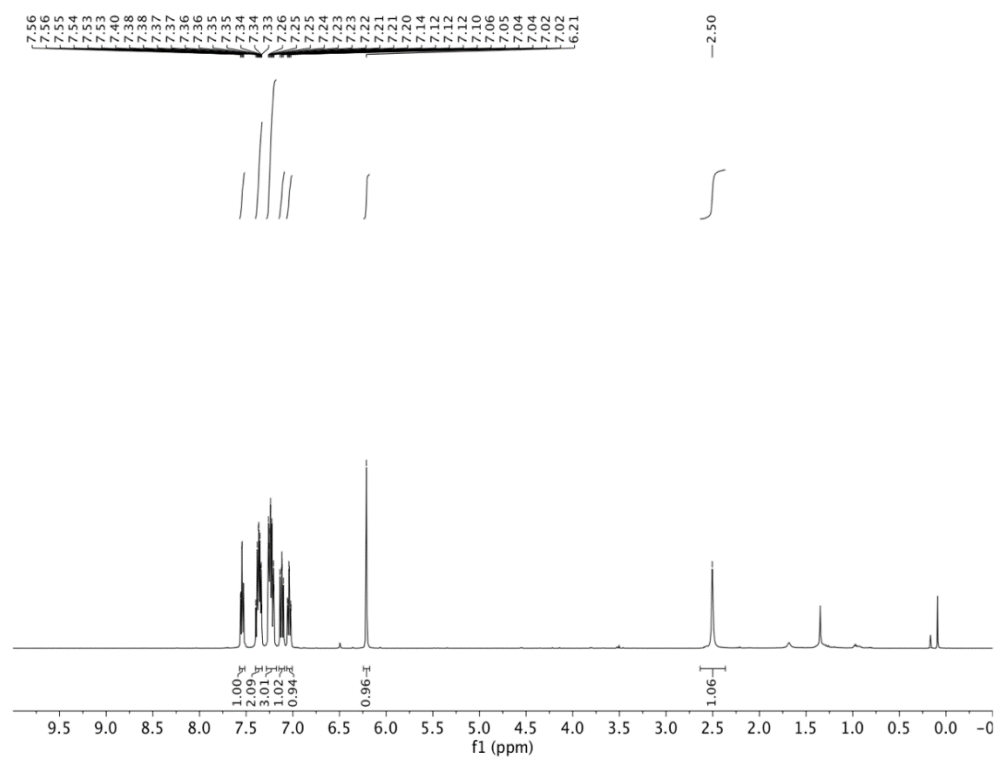
¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.54 (td, J = 7.6, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.40 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.23 (ddd, J = 15.9, 8.0, 2.9 Hz, 3H), 7.15 – 7.09 (m, 1H), 7.04 (td, J = 8.4, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 6.21 (s, 1H), 2.50 (s, 1H).

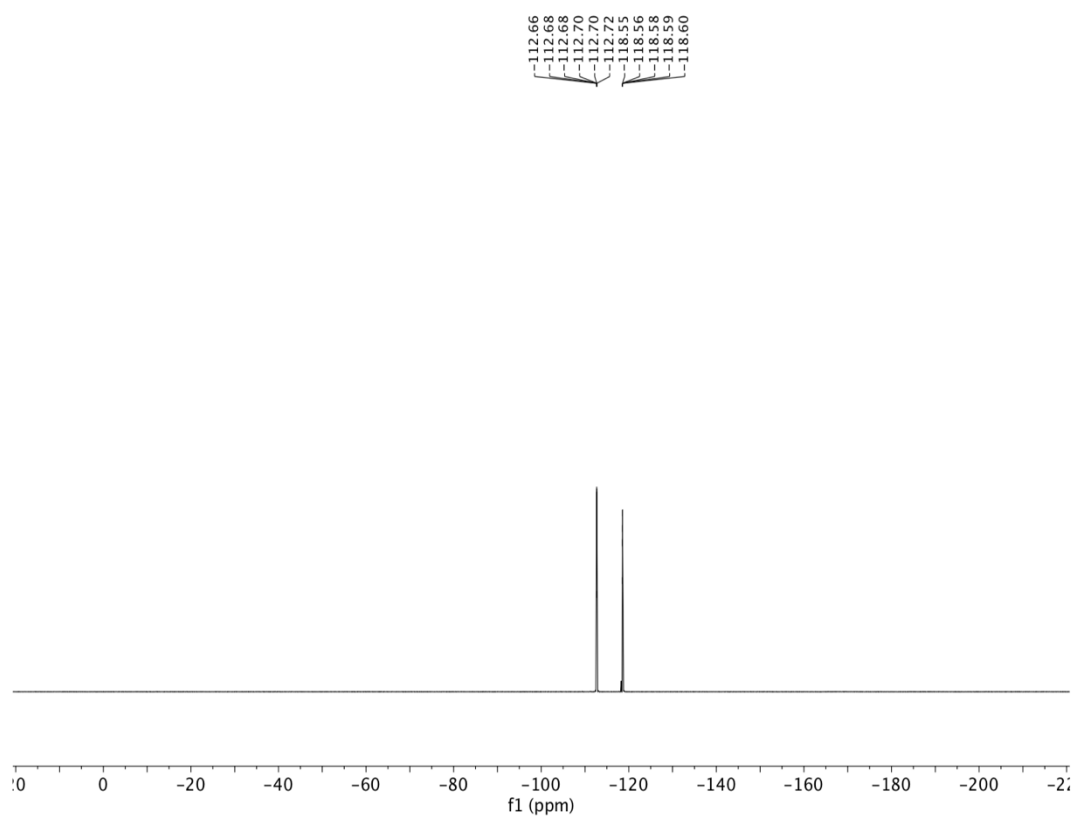
¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 163.1 (d, J = 246.1 Hz), 160.0 (d, J = 246.5 Hz), 145.4 (d, J = 6.8 Hz), 130.6 (d, J = 13.1 Hz), 130.1 (d, J = 8.2 Hz), 129.6 (d, J = 8.3 Hz), 127.8 (d, J = 4.0 Hz), 124.6 (d, J = 3.5 Hz), 122.0 (d, J = 2.9 Hz), 115.6 (d, J = 21.5 Hz), 114.7 (d, J = 21.1 Hz), 113.4 (d, J = 22.3 Hz), 69.5 (dd, J = 3.5, 1.9 Hz).

¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -112.69 (td, J = 9.4, 5.6 Hz), -118.58 (m).

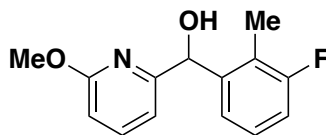
HRMS (Cl⁺): mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₃H₁₀OF₂) requires m/z 220.0700, found m/z 220.0700

FTIR (neat) 3332, 2359, 1739, 1590, 1485, 1221, 1027, 839, 782, 752, 688 cm⁻¹.





(3-fluoro-2-methylphenyl)(6-methoxypyridin-2-yl)methanol (7.3e)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure B using 6-methoxypicolinaldehyde (27.4 mg, 0.2 mmol, 100 mol%) and 2-methyl-3-fluoriodobenzene (94.4 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 12:1 to 10:1) provided the title compound (35.5 mg, 143 μ mol) in 72% yield as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.39 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 4:1).

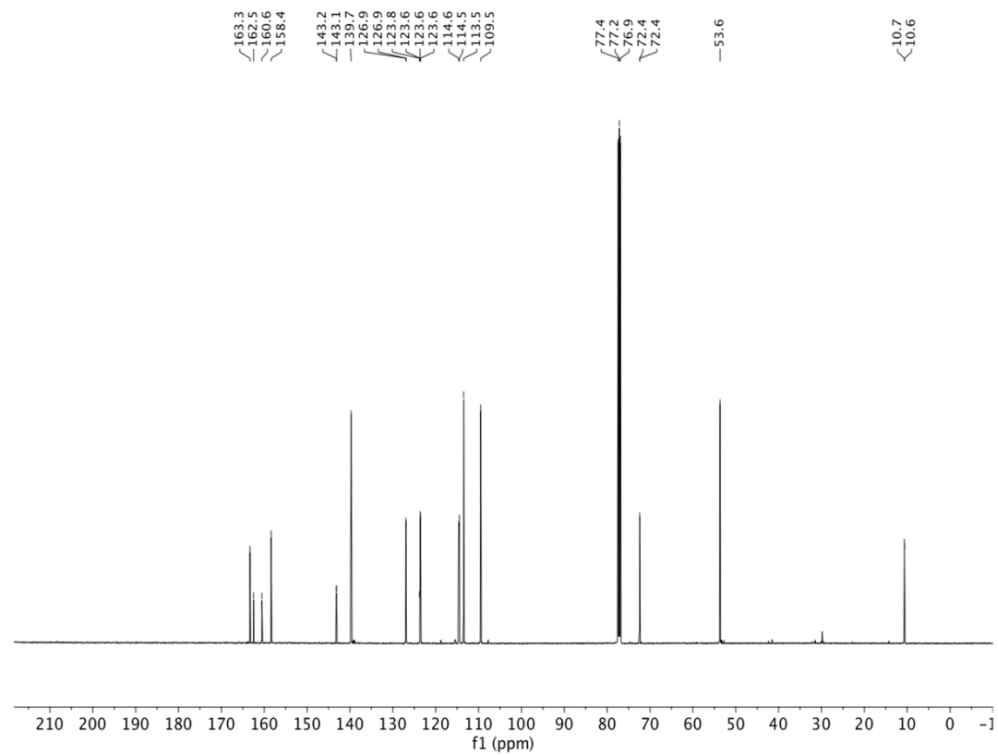
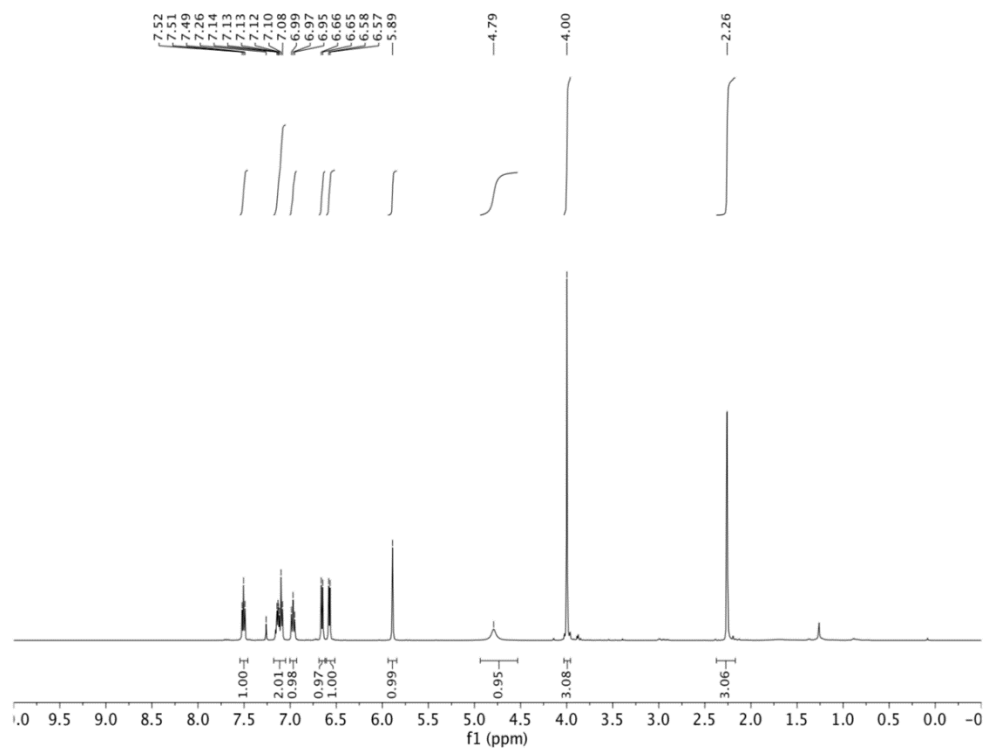
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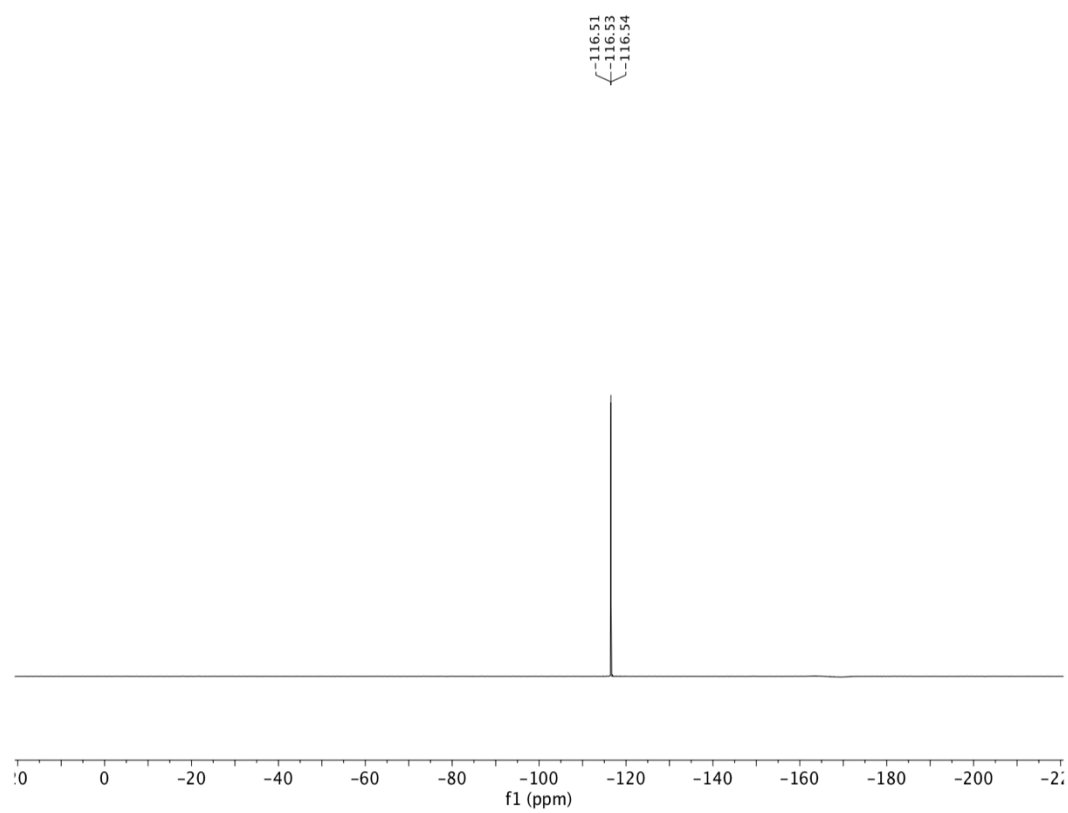
¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 163.3, 162.5, 160.6, 158.4, 143.2 (d, J = 3.7 Hz), 139.7, 126.9 (d, J = 8.9 Hz), 123.7 (d, J = 16.6 Hz), 123.6 (d, J = 3.1 Hz), 114.5 (d, J = 23.5 Hz), 113.5, 109.5, 72.4 (d, J = 3.1 Hz), 53.6, 10.6 (d, J = 6.2 Hz).

¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -116.53 (t, J = 7.7 Hz).

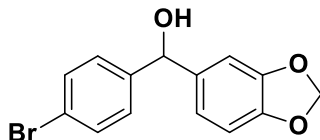
HRMS (ESI+) Calculated for (C₁₄H₁₄NO₂) [M+Na]⁺ requires 270.0901, found 270.0906.

FTIR (neat) 3398, 2949, 2359, 2342, 1739, 1577, 1465, 1313, 1240, 1025, 769 cm⁻¹.





benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl(4-bromophenyl)methanol (7.3f)



The reaction was conducted in accordance with general procedure A with 4-bromobenzaldehyde (37 mg, 0.2 mmol, 100 mol%) and 5-Iodo-1,3-benzodioxole (99 mg, 0.4 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash column chromatography (SiO₂, hexanes : EtOAc = 10:1) provided 45 mg (74%, 0.147 mmol) of the title compound as a colorless oil.

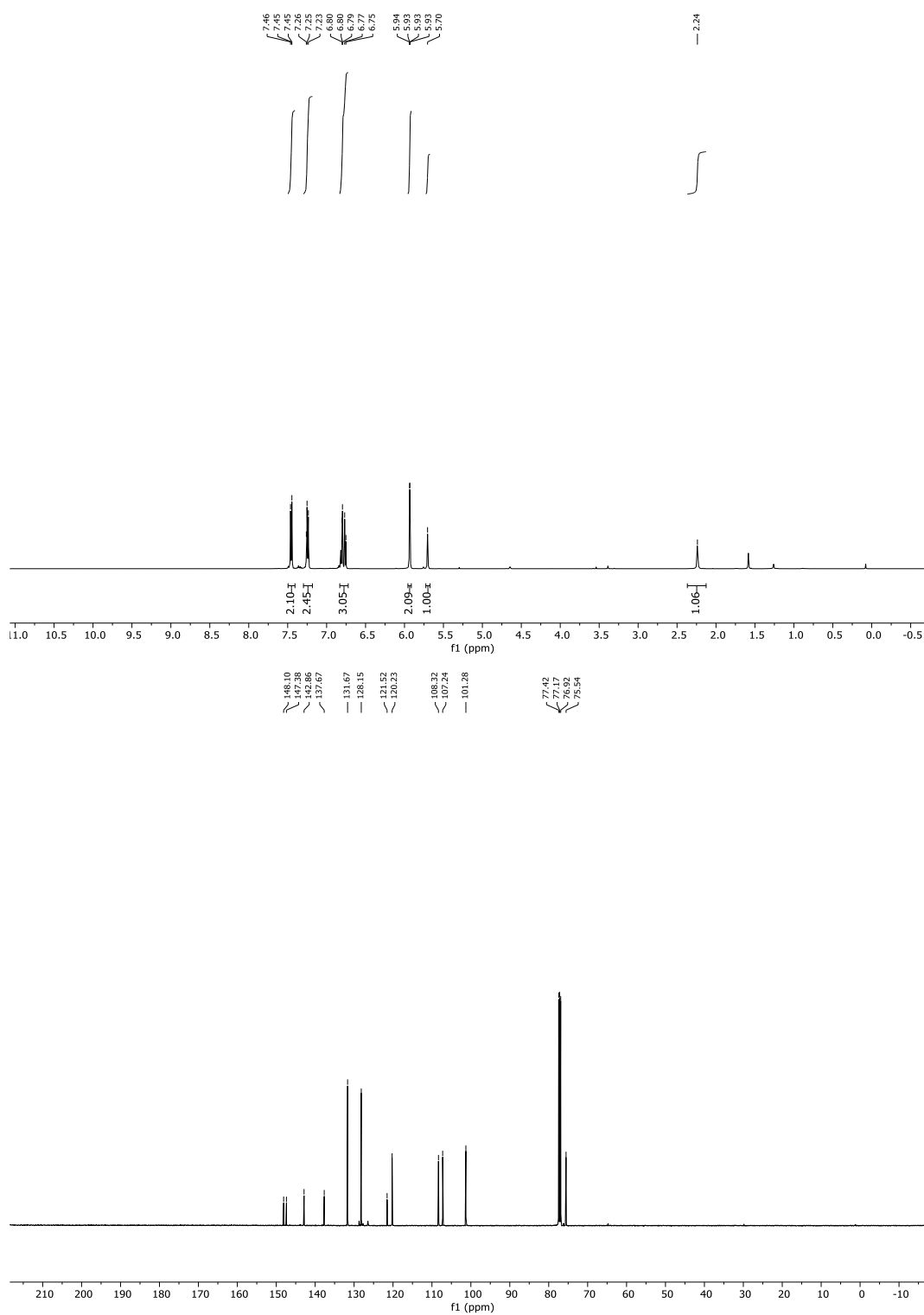
TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.33 (hexanes : EtOAc = 4:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.45 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.85 – 6.78 (m, 2H), 6.76 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 5.93 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 2H), 5.71 (s, 1H), 2.24 (s, 1H).

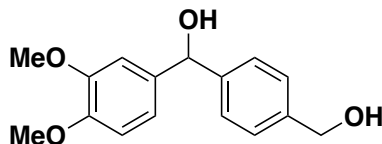
¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 148.1, 147.4, 142.9, 137.7, 131.7, 128.2, 121.5, 120.2, 108.3, 107.2, 101.3, 75.5.

HRMS (CI⁺): mass calculated (C₁₄H₁₁O₃⁷⁹Br) requires *m/z* 305.9892, found *m/z* 305.9895.
mass calculated (C₁₄H₁₁O₃⁸¹Br) requires *m/z* 307.9871, found *m/z* 307.9893

FTIR (neat): 3344, 2893, 1738, 1500, 1484, 1092, 1036, 1008, 927, 802, 775, 670 cm⁻¹.



(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)(4-(hydroxymethyl)phenyl)methanol (7.3g)



The title compound was prepared following general procedure A using 3,4-dimethylbenzaldehyde (33.2 mg, 0.2 mmol, 100 mol%) and (4-iodophenyl)methanol (93.6 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 1:1) provided the title compound (36.4 mg, 133 μ mol) in 66% yield as a white solid.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.24 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 1:3).

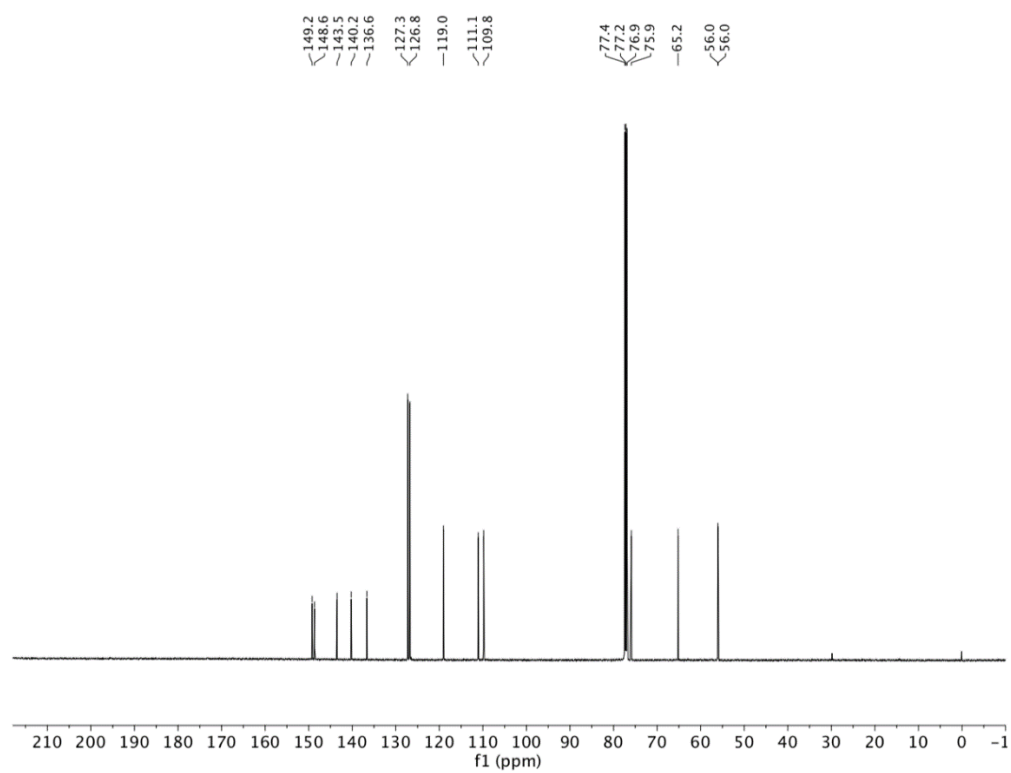
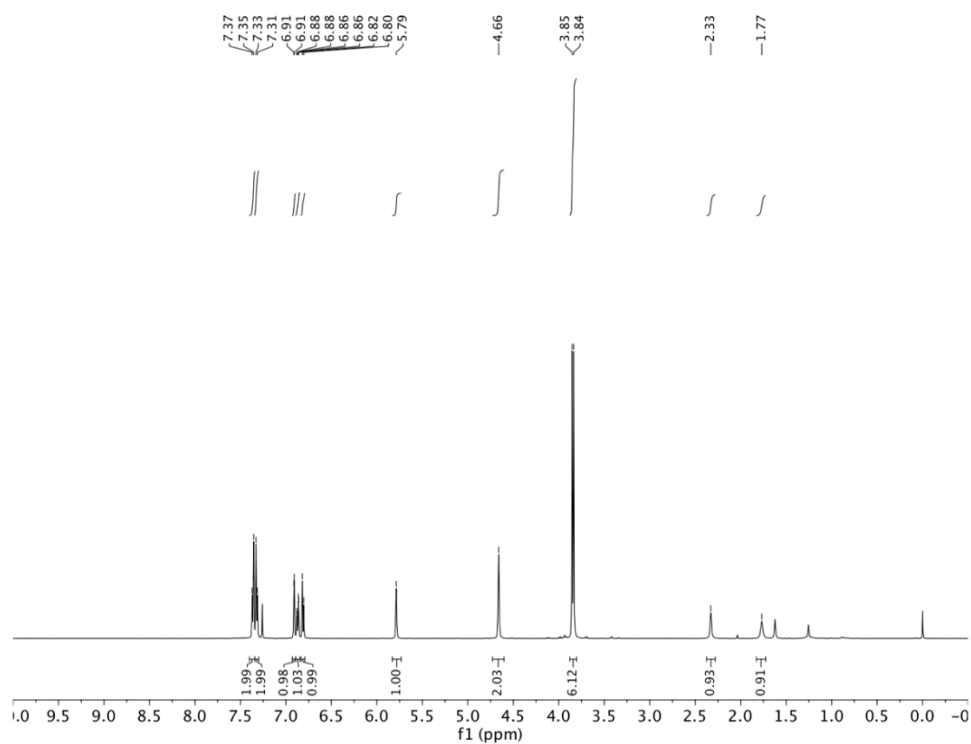
¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.36 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.91 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (dd, J = 8.2, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 5.79 (s, 1H), 4.66 (s, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 2.33 (s, 1H), 1.77 (s, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 149.2, 148.6, 143.5, 140.2, 136.6, 127.3, 126.8, 119.0, 111.1, 109.8, 75.9, 65.2, 56.0, 56.0.

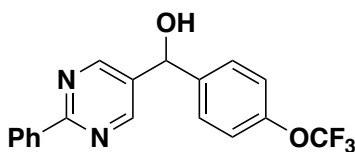
HRMS (ESI⁺): mass calculated [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₆H₁₈O) requires m/z 297.1097, found m/z 297.1099

MP 131-133°C

FTIR (neat) 3332, 3219, 2919, 2839, 2360, 1739, 1595, 1558, 1419, 1360, 1258, 1231, 1137, 1012, 749 cm⁻¹.



(2-phenylpyrimidin-5-yl)(4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)methanol (7.3h)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure A using 2-phenylpyrimidine-5-carbaldehyde (36.8 mg, 0.2 mmol, 100 mol%) and 1-iodo-4-(trifluoromethoxy)benzene (115.2 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 5:1) provided the title compound (38.2 mg, 111 μ mol) in 55% yield as a yellow solid.

TLC (**SiO₂**) R_f = 0.19 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 4:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.71 (s, 2H), 8.46 – 8.26 (m, 2H), 7.47 (dd, J = 5.2, 2.0 Hz, 3H), 7.42 – 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.21 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 5.86 (s, 1H), 3.25 (s, 1H).

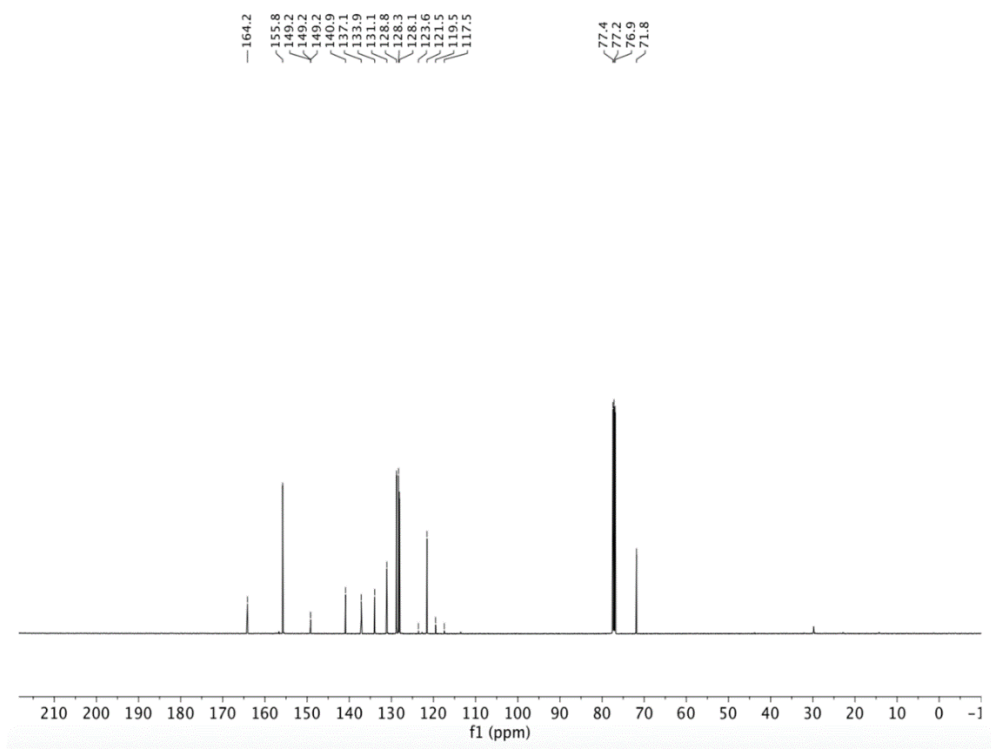
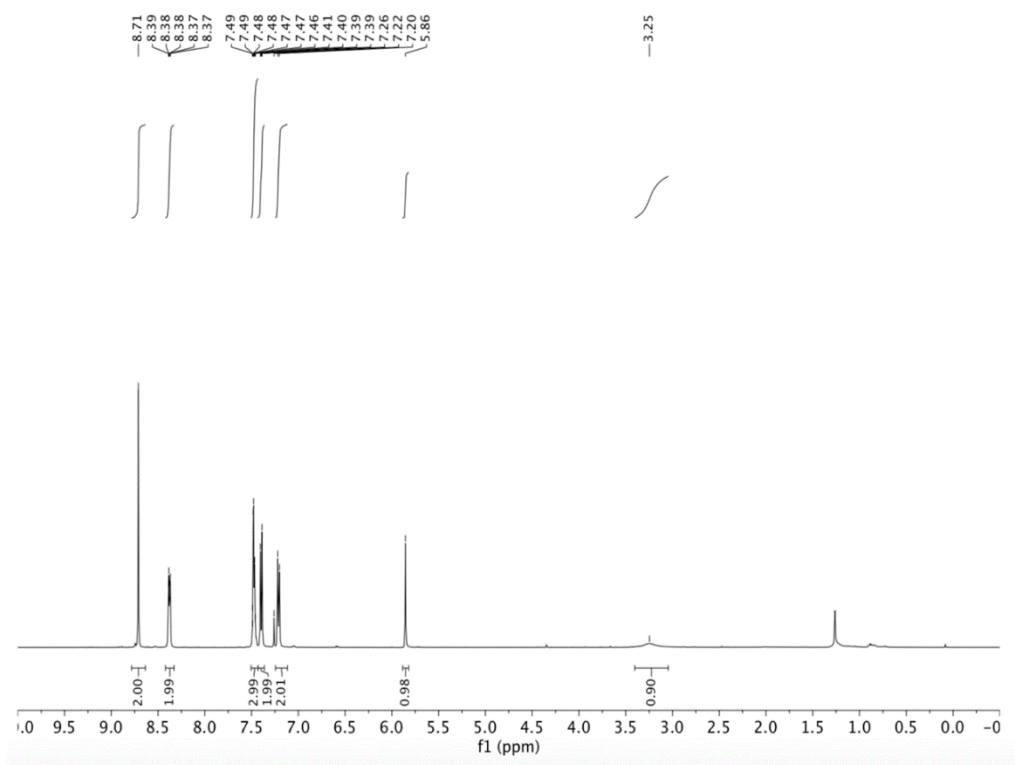
¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 164.2, 155.8, 149.2 (q, J = 2.0 Hz), 140.9, 137.1, 133.9, 131.1, 128.8, 128.3, 128.1, 121.5, 120.5 (q, J = 258.2 Hz), 71.8.

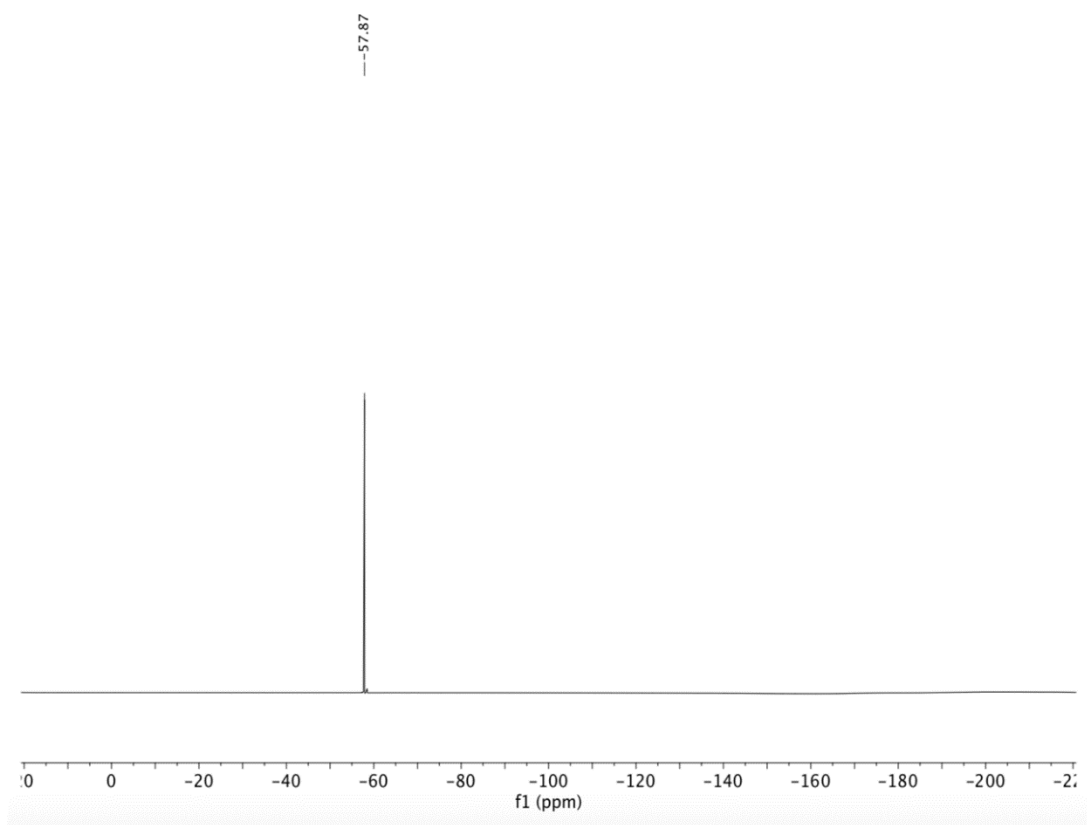
¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -57.87

HRMS (ESI⁺): mass calculated for [M+H]⁺ (C₁₈H₁₃F₃N₂O₂) requires m/z 347.1002, found m/z 347.1011.

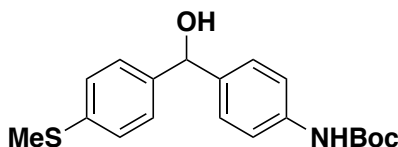
MP 110-112°C

FTIR (neat) 3165, 2921, 2358, 1592, 1547, 1433, 1260, 1207, 1154, 863, 743, 688 cm⁻¹.





***tert*-butyl (4-(hydroxy(4-(methylthio)phenyl)methyl)phenyl)carbamate (7.3i)**



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure A using 4-(methylthio)benzaldehyde (30.4 mg, 0.2 mmol, 100 mol%) and *tert*-butyl (4-iodophenyl)carbamate¹ (127.6 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 4:1) provided the title compound (39.3 mg, 114 μ mol) in 57% yield as a yellow solid.

TLC (**SiO₂**) R_f = 0.59 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 1:1).

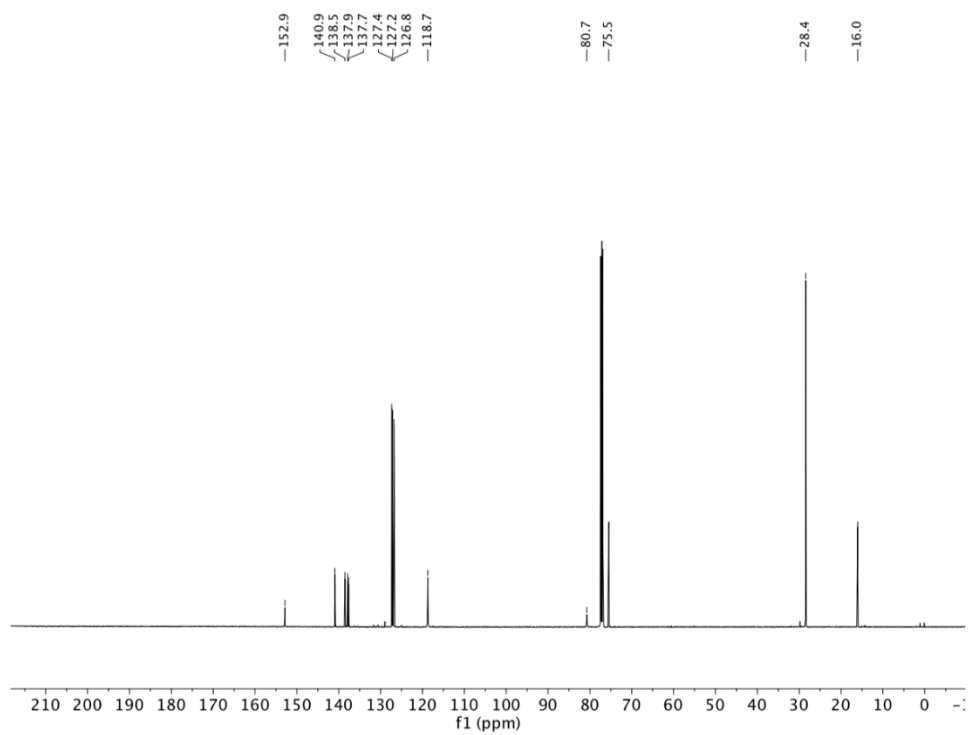
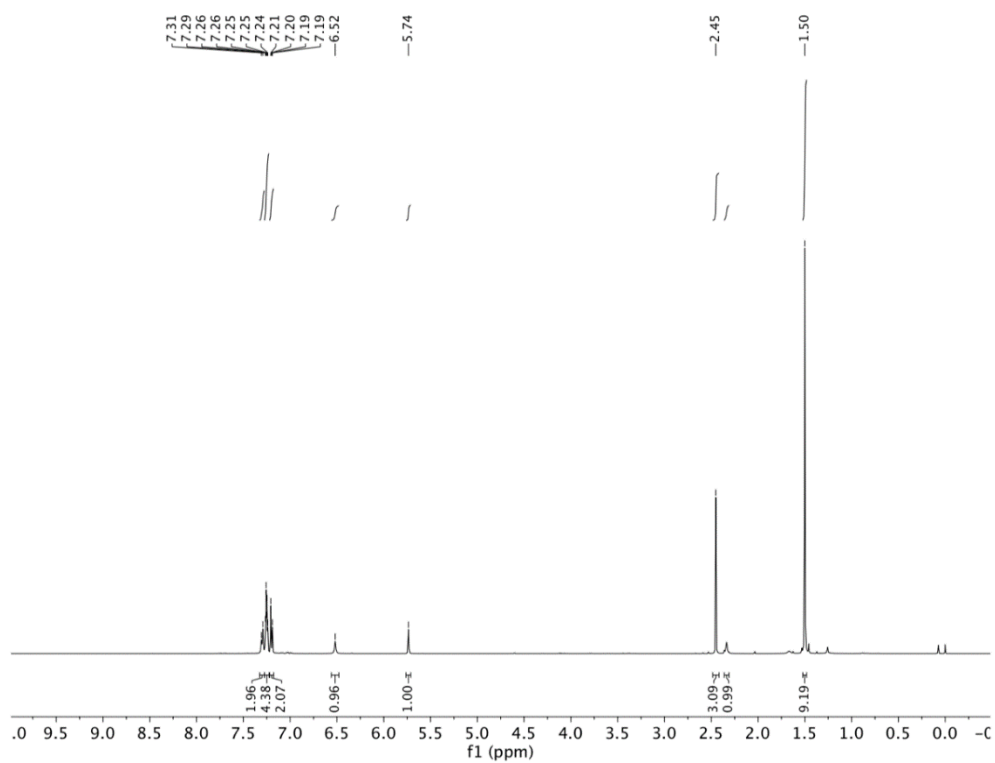
¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.30 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (d, J = 3.9 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, J = 4.2 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.52 (s, 1H), 5.74 (s, 1H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 1H), 1.50 (s, 9H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 152.9, 140.9, 138.5, 137.9, 137.7, 127.4, 127.2, 126.8, 118.7, 80.7, 75.5, 28.4, 16.0.

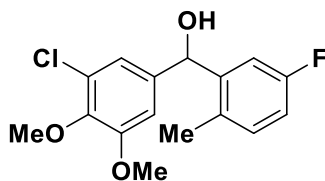
HRMS (ESI⁺): mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₉H₂₃NO₃S) requires m/z 368.1291, found m/z 368.1294.

MP 121-123°C

FTIR (neat) 3368, 3250, 2972, 2914, 2359, 2342, 1699, 1522, 1412, 1309, 1233, 1157, 1012, 858 cm⁻¹.



(3-chloro-4,5-dimethoxyphenyl)(5-fluoro-2-methylphenyl)methanol (7.3j)



The reaction was conducted in accordance with general procedure A using 3-chloro-4,5-dimethoxybenzaldehyde (40 mg, 0.2 mmol, 100 mol%) and 5-fluoro-2-methyliodobenzene (62 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash column chromatography (SiO_2 , hexanes : EtOAc = 5:1) provided 43 mg (75%, 0.138 mmol) of the title compound as a colorless oil.

TLC (SiO_2) R_f = 0.22 (hexanes : EtOAc = 4:1).

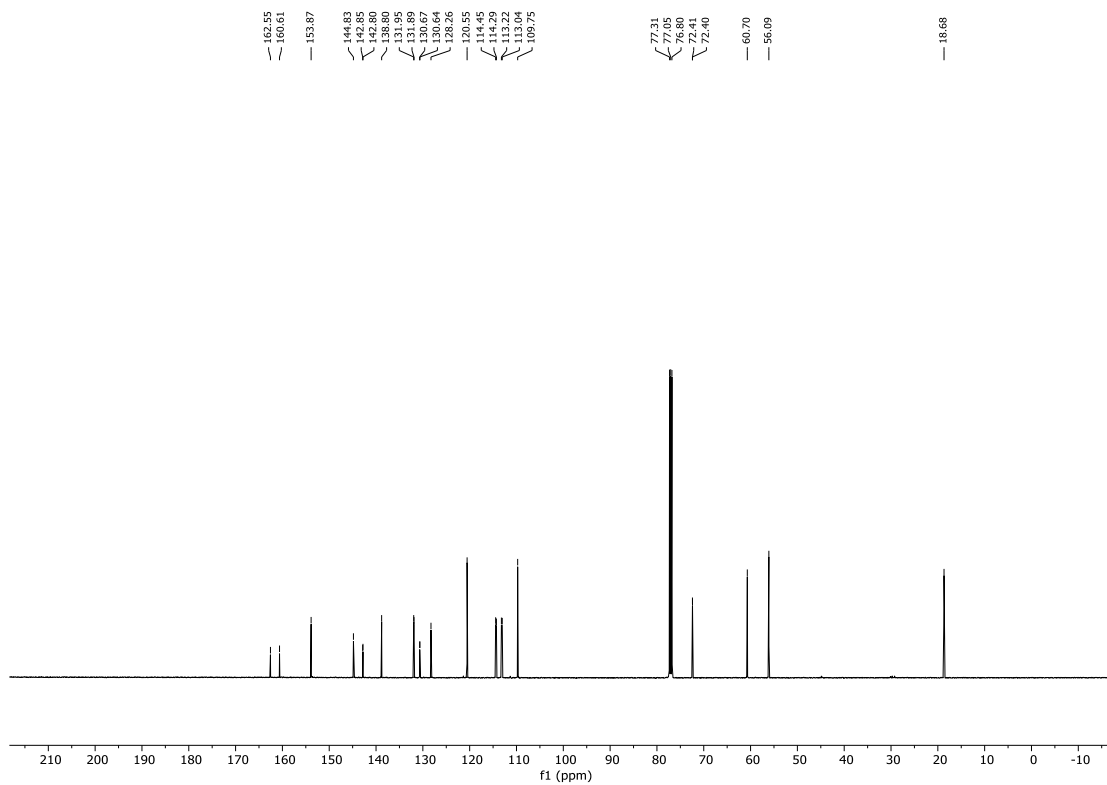
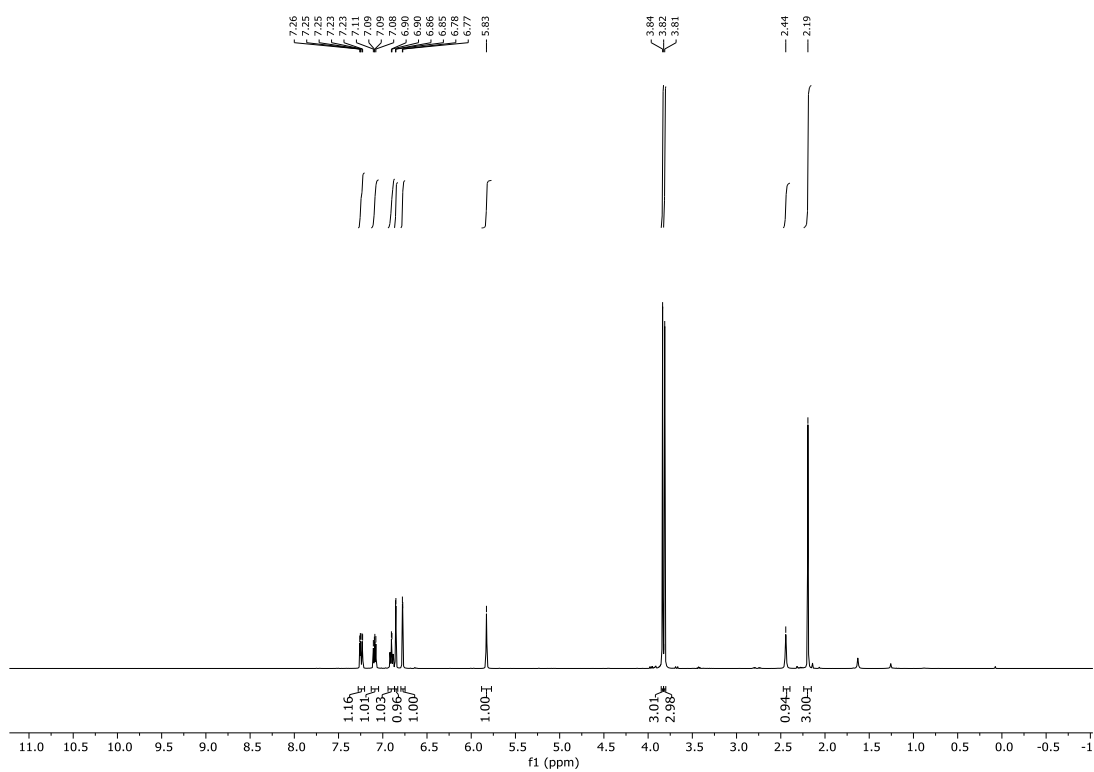
$^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.24 (dd, J = 10.0, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (dd, J = 8.3, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (td, J = 8.3, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 5.83 (s, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 1H), 2.19 (s, 3H).

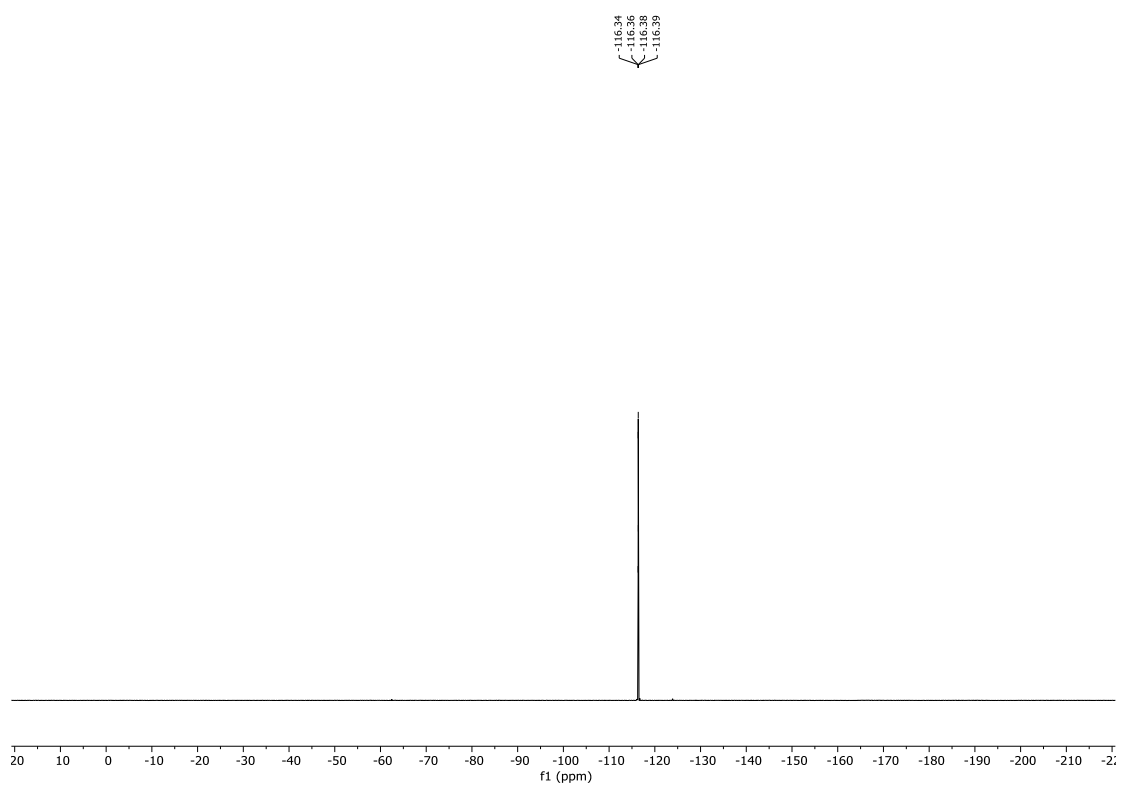
$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 162.6, 160.6, 153.9, 142.8 (d, J = 6.4 Hz), 131.9 (d, J = 7.6 Hz), 130.7 (d, J = 3.2 Hz), 128.2, 120.6, 114.4 (d, J = 20.9 Hz), 113.1 (d, J = 22.7 Hz), 109.8, 72.4 (d, J = 1.4 Hz), 60.7, 56.1, 18.7.

$^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (470 MHz, CDCl_3): δ -116.37 (q, J = 8.3 Hz).

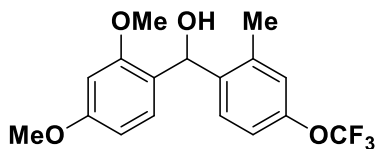
HRMS (CI^+): mass calculated for $[\text{M}]^+$ ($\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_3\text{FCl}$) requires m/z 310.0772, found m/z 310.0766.

FTIR (neat): 3387, 2939, 2360, 1738, 1489, 1413, 1269, 1237, 1133, 1051, 999, 850, 687 cm^{-1} .





(2,4-dimethoxyphenyl)(2-methyl-4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)methanol (7.3k)



The reaction was conducted in accordance with general procedure A using 2,4-dimethoxybenzaldehyde (33 mg, 0.2 mmol, 100 mol%) and 2-methyl-4-(trifluoromethoxy)iodobenzene (68 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash column chromatography (SiO₂, hexanes : EtOAc = 5:1) provided 51 mg (75%, 0.149 mmol) of the title compound as a yellow oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.25 (hexanes : EtOAc = 4:1).

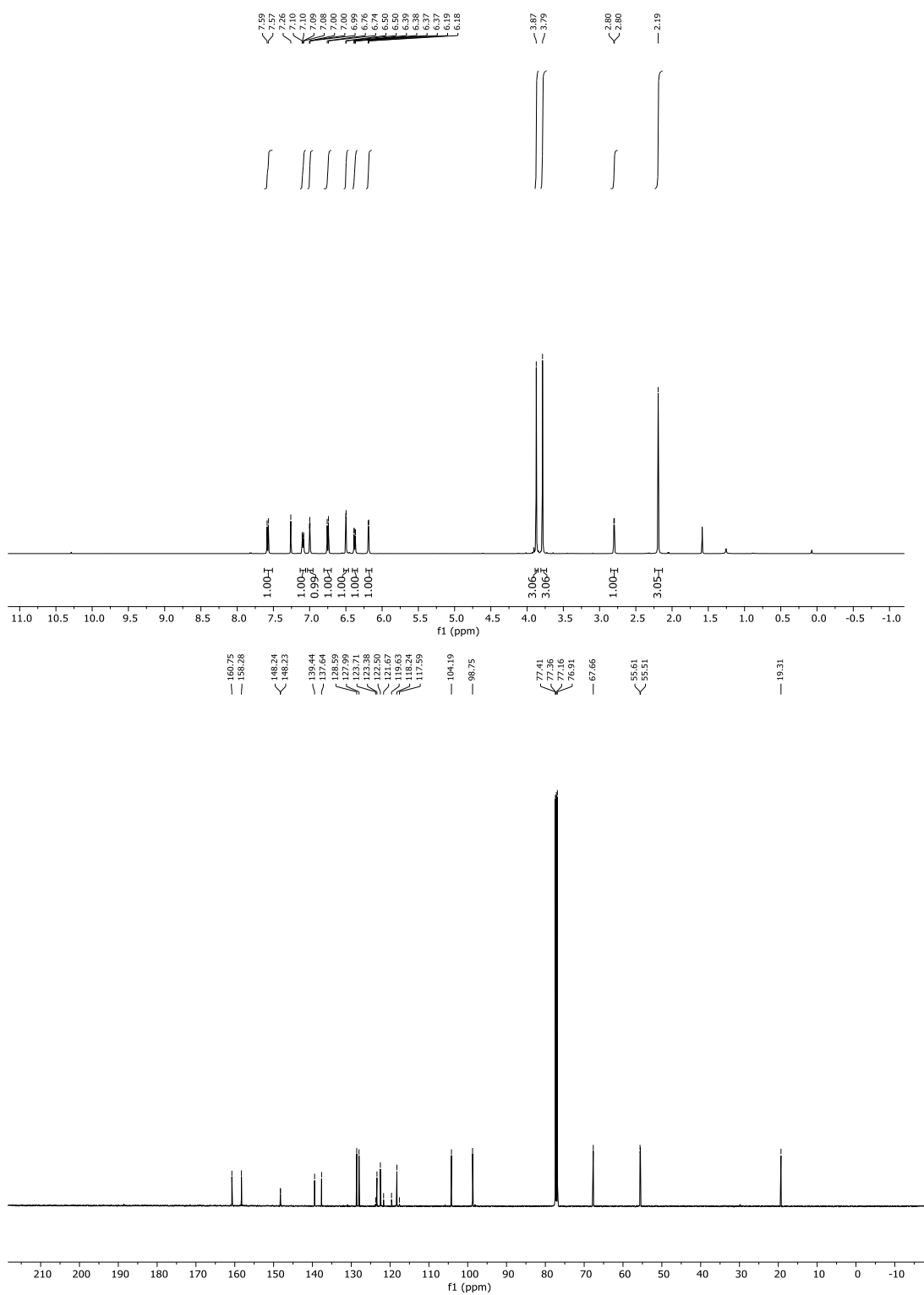
¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.58 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (s, 1H), 6.75 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.38 (dd, J = 8.5, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.19 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 2.80 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 1H), 2.19 (s, 3H).

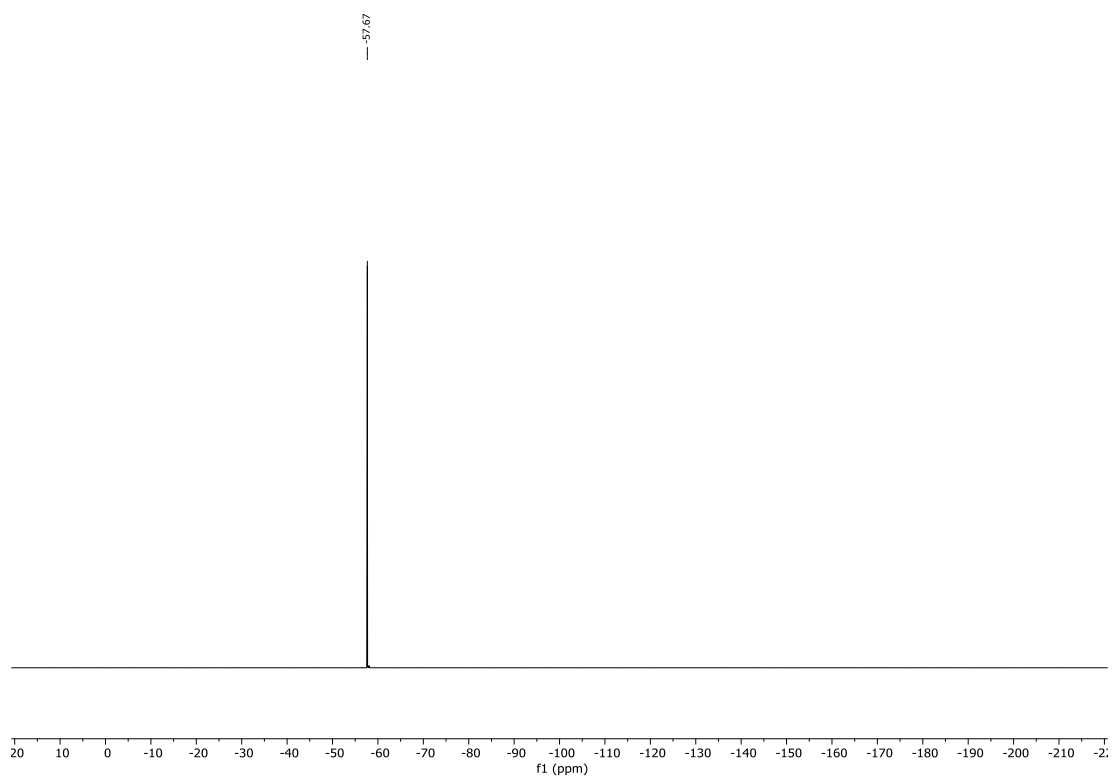
¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 160.75, 158.28, 148.23, 139.44, 137.64, 128.59, 127.99, 123.38, 122.50, 120.65 (q, J = 256.6 Hz), 118.24, 104.19, 98.75, 67.66, 55.61, 55.51, 19.31.

¹⁹F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -57.67.

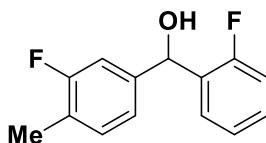
HRMS (ESI⁺): mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₇H₁₇F₃O₄) requires m/z 365.0971, found m/z 365.0969.

FTIR (neat): 3377, 2945, 1738, 1611, 1503, 1251, 1206, 1151, 1033, 869, 683 cm⁻¹.





(3-fluoro-4-methylphenyl)(2-fluorophenyl)methanol (7.3l)



The reaction was conducted in accordance with general procedure A using 3-fluoro-4-methylbenzaldehyde (25 μ L, 0.2 mmol, 100 mol%) and 2-fluoroiodobenzene (47 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash column chromatography (SiO_2 , hexanes : EtOAc = 9:1) provided 35.1 mg (75%, 0.149 mmol) of the title compound as a colorless oil.

TLC (SiO_2) R_f = 0.5 (hexanes : EtOAc = 4:1).

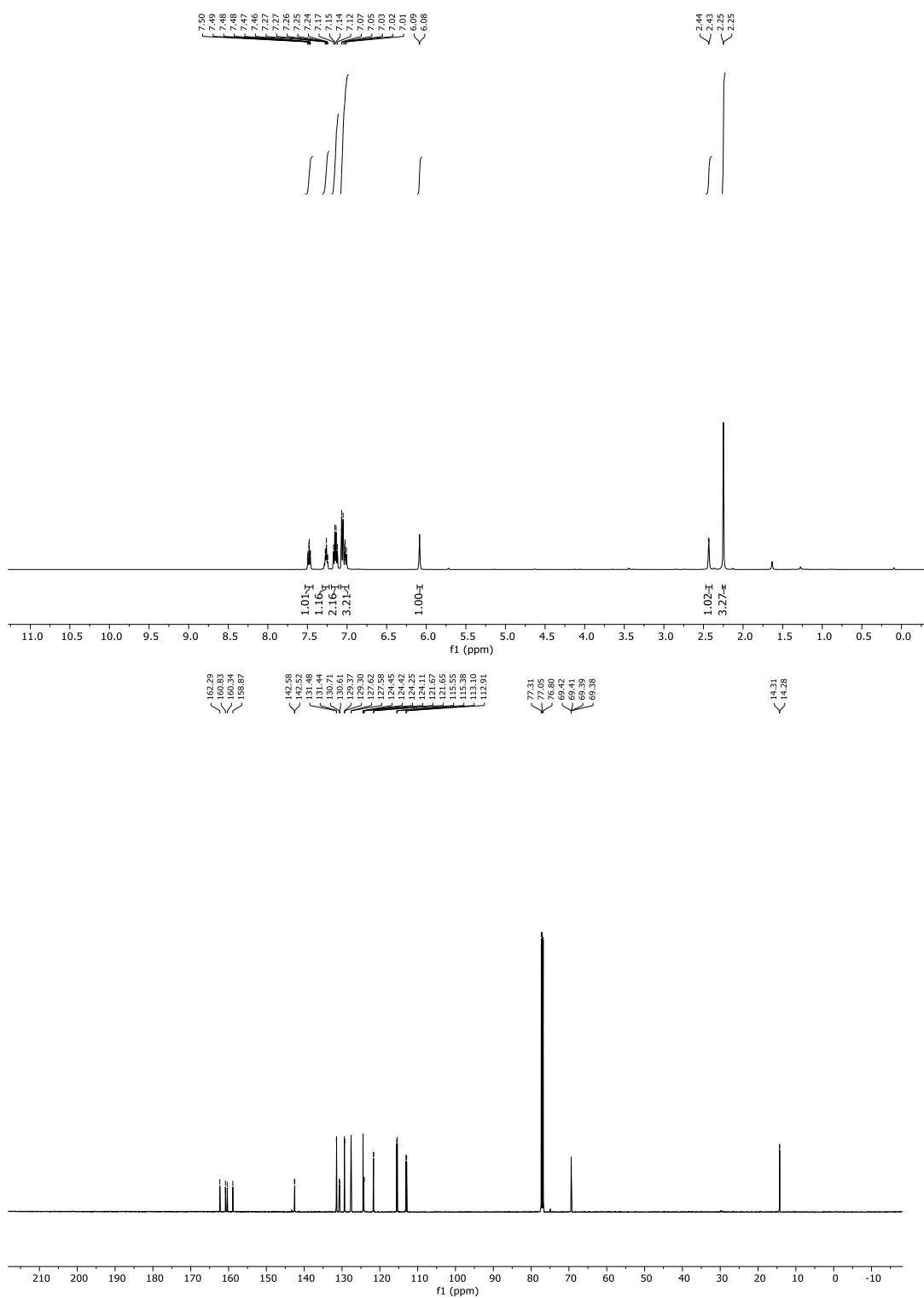
$^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.48 (td, J = 7.6, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.32 – 7.22 (m, 1H), 7.15 (q, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.06 (d, J = 9.7 Hz, 2H), 7.04 – 6.94 (m, 1H), 6.09 (d, J = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 2.43 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 1H), 2.25 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 3H).

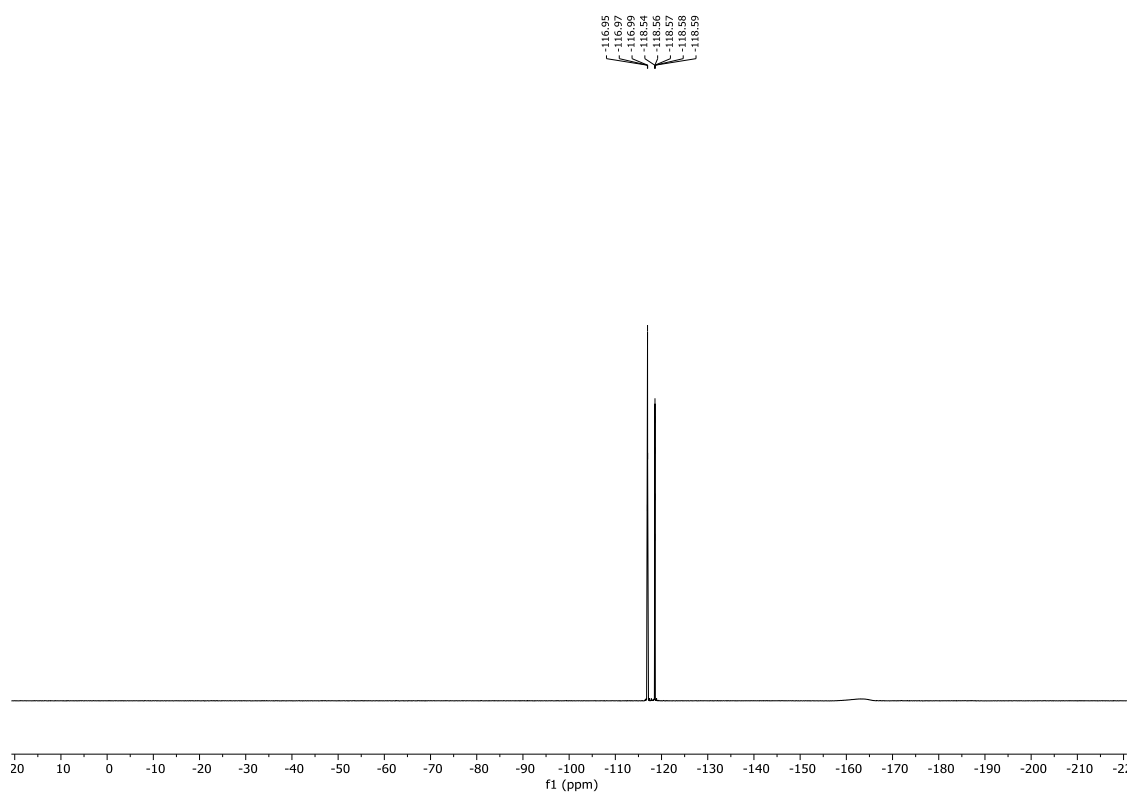
$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 161.6 (d, J = 183.9 Hz), 159.6 (d, J = 185.2 Hz), 142.6 (d, J = 6.8 Hz), 131.5 (d, J = 5.4 Hz), 130.7 (d, J = 13.0 Hz), 129.3 (d, J = 8.2 Hz), 127.6 (d, J = 4.0 Hz), 124.4 (d, J = 3.6 Hz), 124.2 (d, J = 17.3 Hz), 121.7 (d, J = 3.2 Hz), 115.5 (d, J = 21.4 Hz), 113.0 (d, J = 23.3 Hz), 69.4 (dd, J = 3.5, 1.8 Hz), 14.3 (d, J = 3.6 Hz).

$^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (470 MHz, CDCl_3): δ -116.97 (t, J = 9.3 Hz), -118.57 (dt, J = 12.2, 6.4 Hz).

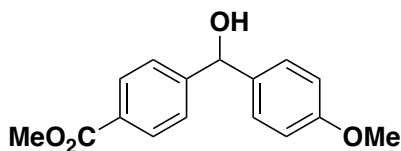
HRMS (Cl^+): mass calculated for $[\text{M}]^+$ ($\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{OF}_2$) requires m/z 234.0856, found m/z 234.0858.

FTIR (neat): 3344, 2928, 1738, 1585, 1508, 1455, 1418, 1252, 1030, 824, 753 cm^{-1} .





methyl 4-(hydroxy(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl)benzoate (7.3m)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure A using methyl 4-formylbenzoate (32.8 mg, 0.2 mmol, 100 mol%) and 4-iodoanisole (93.6 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 4:1) provided the title compound (33.9 mg, 125 μ mol) in 62% yield as a colorless oil.

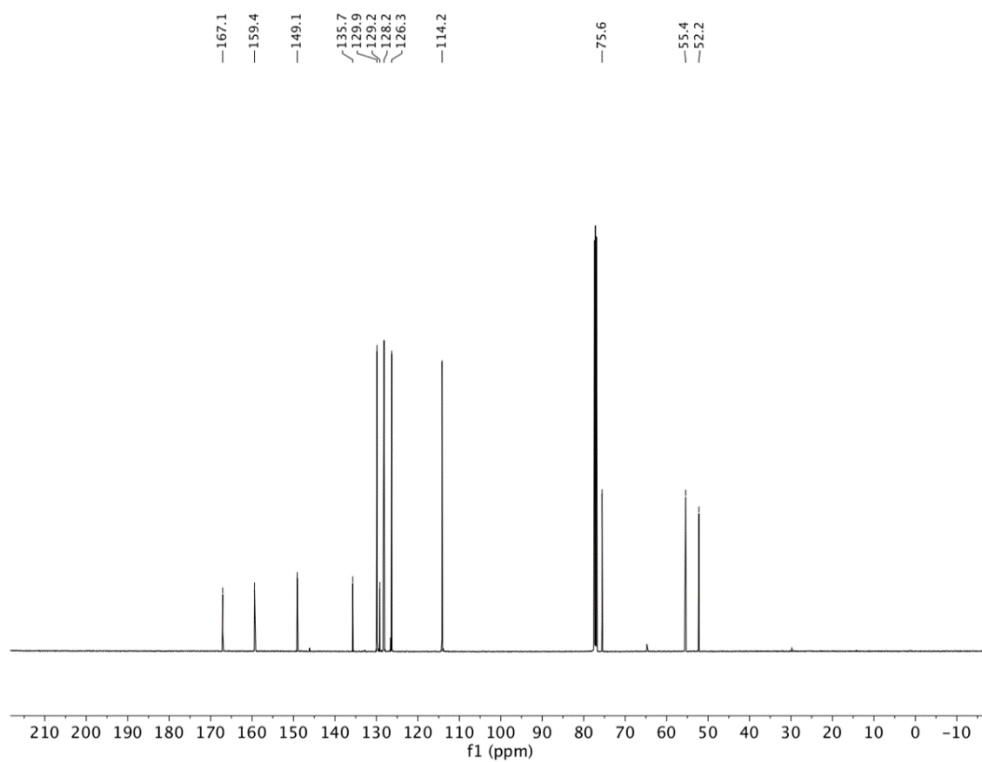
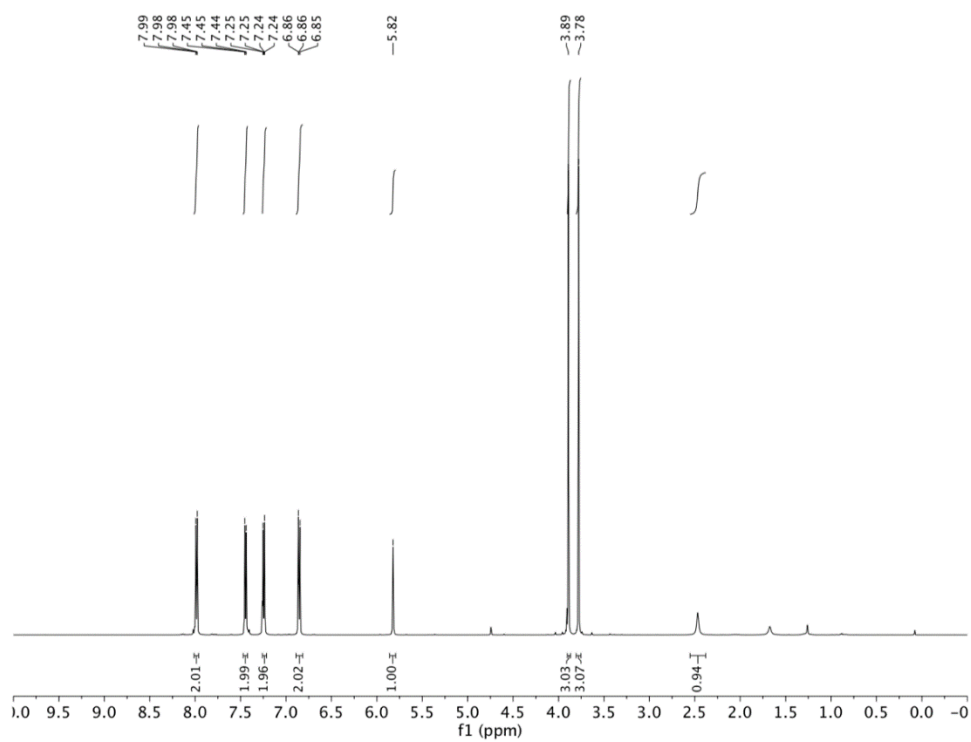
TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.18 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 4:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.98 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.86 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 5.82 (s, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 2.47 (s, 1H).

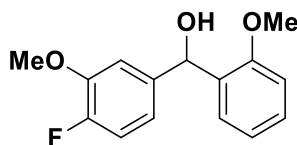
¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 167.1, 159.4, 149.1, 135.7, 129.9, 129.2, 128.2, 126.3, 114.2, 75.6, 55.4, 52.2.

HRMS (ESI⁺): mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₆H₁₆NO₄) requires m/z 295.0941, found m/z 295.0942.

FTIR (neat) 3512, 3354, 2954, 2359, 1718, 1610, 1512, 1435, 1275, 1250, 1032, 835, 751 cm⁻¹.



(4-fluoro-3-methoxyphenyl)(2-methoxyphenyl)methanol (7.3n)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure A using 4-fluoro-3-methoxybenzaldehyde (30.8 mg, 0.2 mmol, 100 mol%) and 2-iodoanisole (107.4 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash column chromatography (SiO₂, hexanes/EtOAc 6:1) provided the title compound (43.4 mg, 166 μmol) in 83% yield as a colorless oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.22 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 4:1).

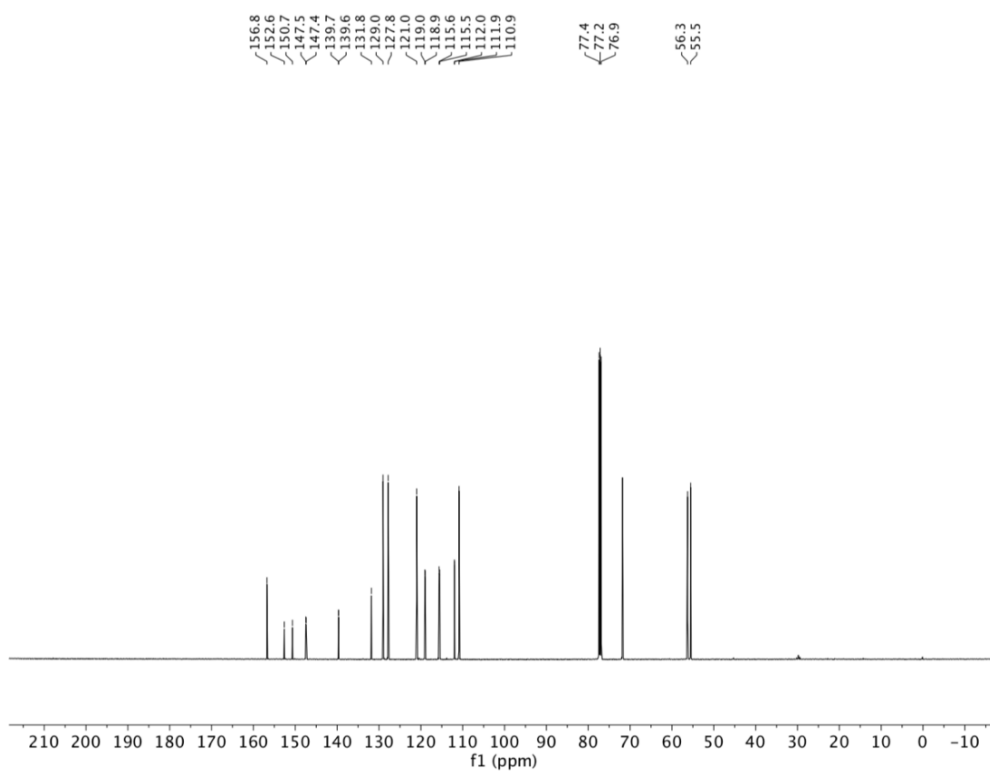
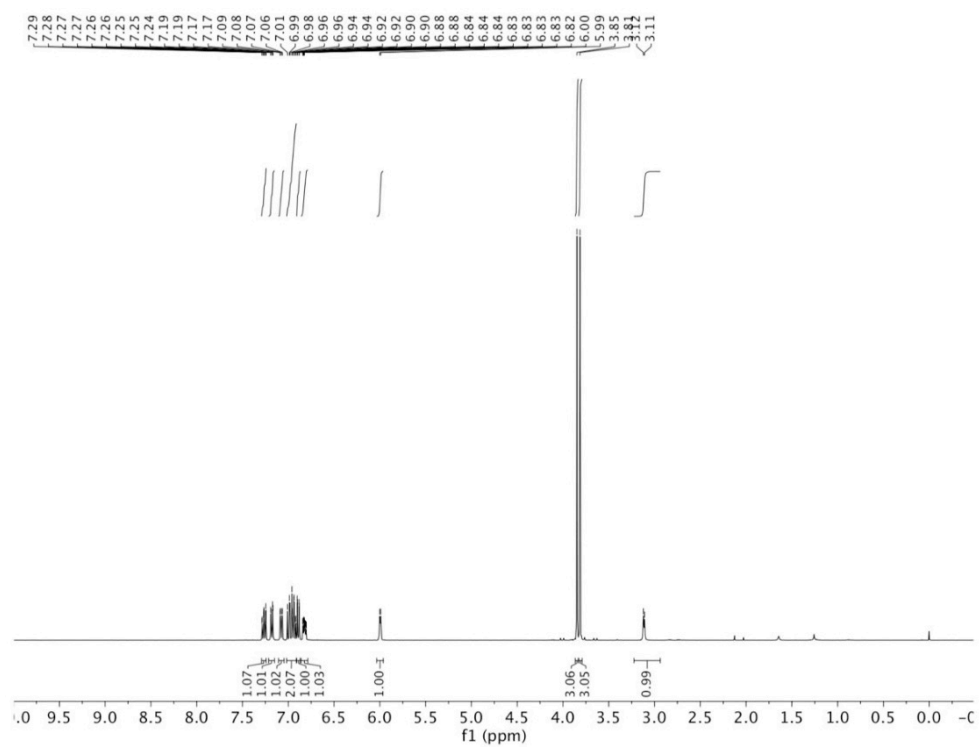
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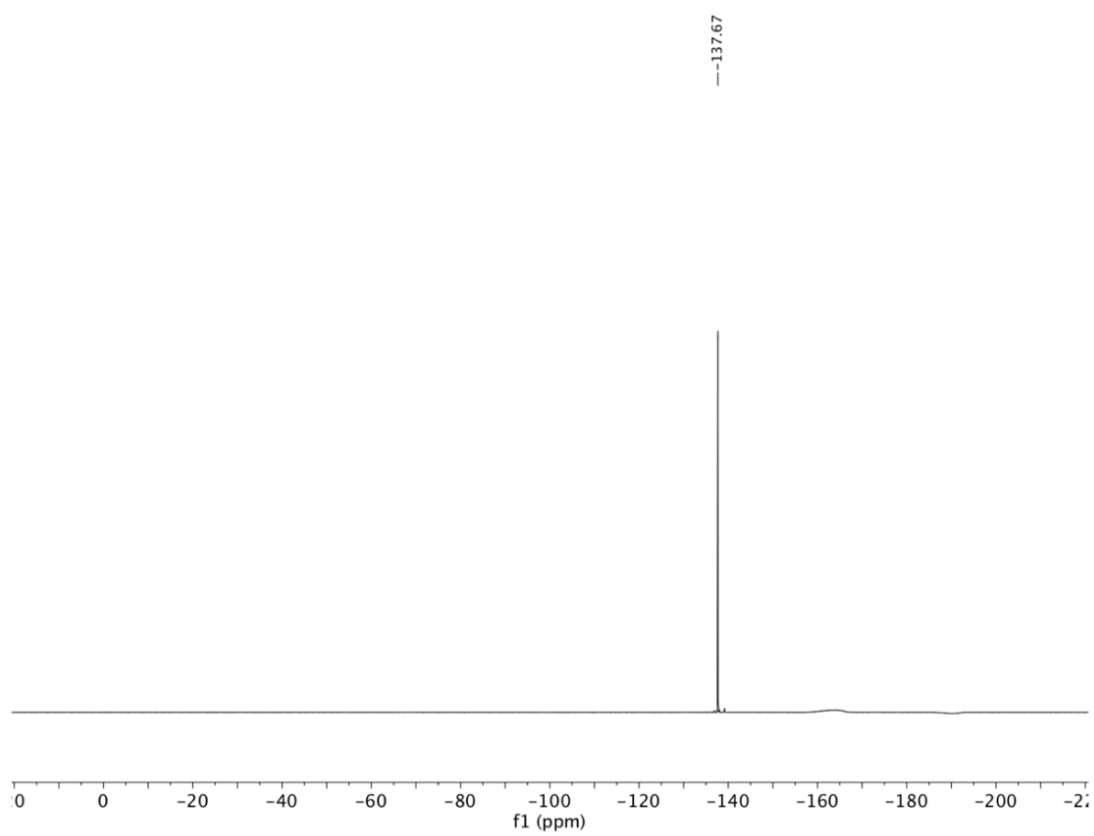
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¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -137.67.

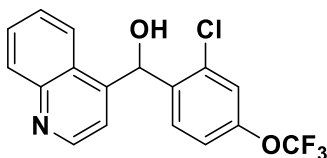
HRMS (Cl⁺): mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₅H₁₅FO₃) requires *m/z* 262.1005, found *m/z* 262.1010.

FTIR (neat) 3414, 2941, 2838, 1601, 1513, 1463, 1417, 1271, 1241, 1118, 1028, 909, 815, 755, 730 cm⁻¹.





(2-chloro-4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)(quinolin-4-yl)methanol (7.3o)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure A using 4-formylquinoline (31.0 mg, 0.2 mmol, 100 mol%) and 2-chloro-1-iodo-4-(trifluoromethoxy)benzene (129 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash column chromatography (SiO₂, hexanes/EtOAc 4:1) provided the title compound (42 mg, 119 μ mol) in 60% yield as a white solid.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.27 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 1:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.90 (dd, J = 7.3, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 8.13 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (dd, J = 8.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (ddd, J = 9.6, 6.4, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, J = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (ddd, J = 8.4, 6.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.27 – 7.24 (m, 1H), 7.06 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (d, J = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 3.30 (d, J = 49.9 Hz, 1H).

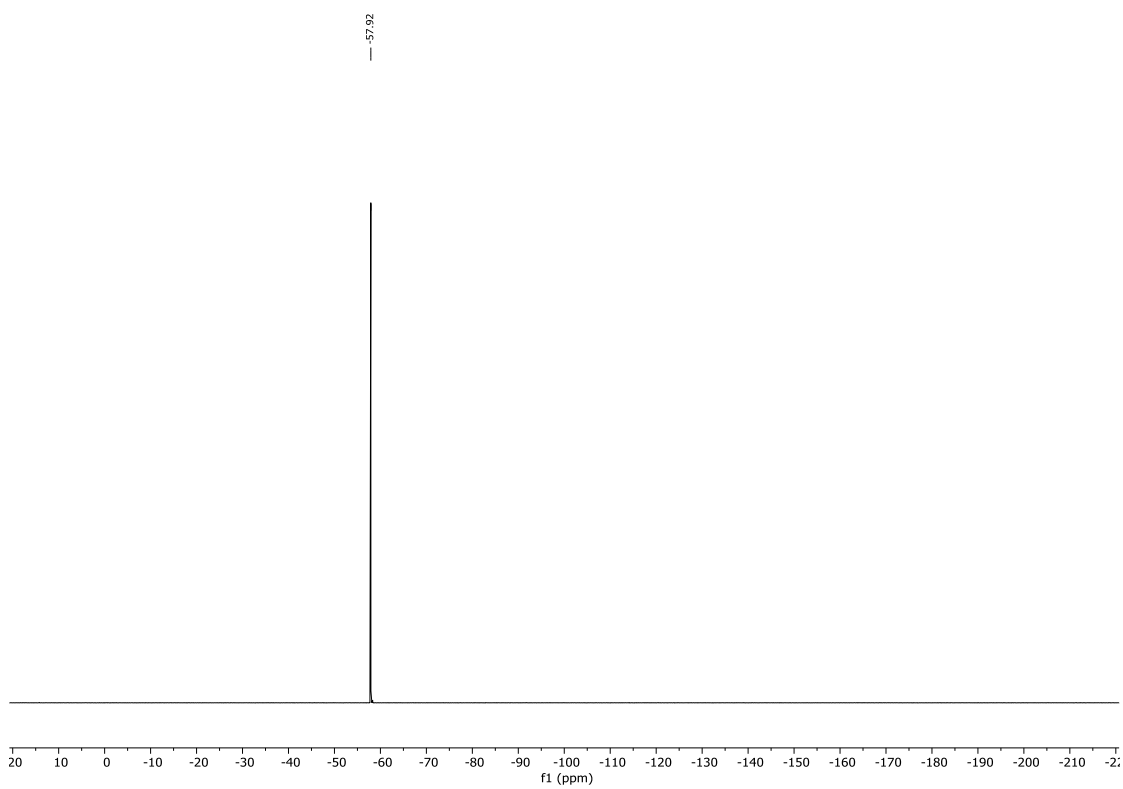
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¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = -57.92.

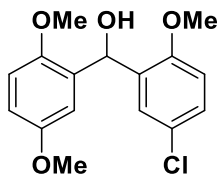
HRMS (ESI⁺): mass calculated for [M+H]⁺ (for C₁₇H₁₂ClF₃NO₂) requires m/z 354.0503, found m/z 354.0508

FTIR (neat) 3080, 2832, 2363, 2341, 1736, 1509, 1392, 1313, 1256, 1214, 1143, 855 cm⁻¹.

MP 187-188°C _____



(5-chloro-2-methoxyphenyl)(2,5-dimethoxyphenyl)methanol (7.3p)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure A using 2,5-dimethoxybenzaldehyde (33.2 mg, 0.2 mmol, 100 mol%) and 4-chloro-2-iodoanisole (107.4 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash column chromatography (SiO₂, hexanes/EtOAc 9:1) provided the title compound (51 mg, 166 μmol) in 83% yield as a colorless oil.

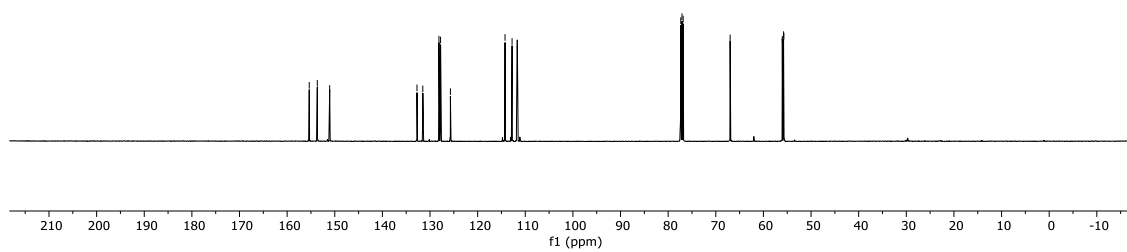
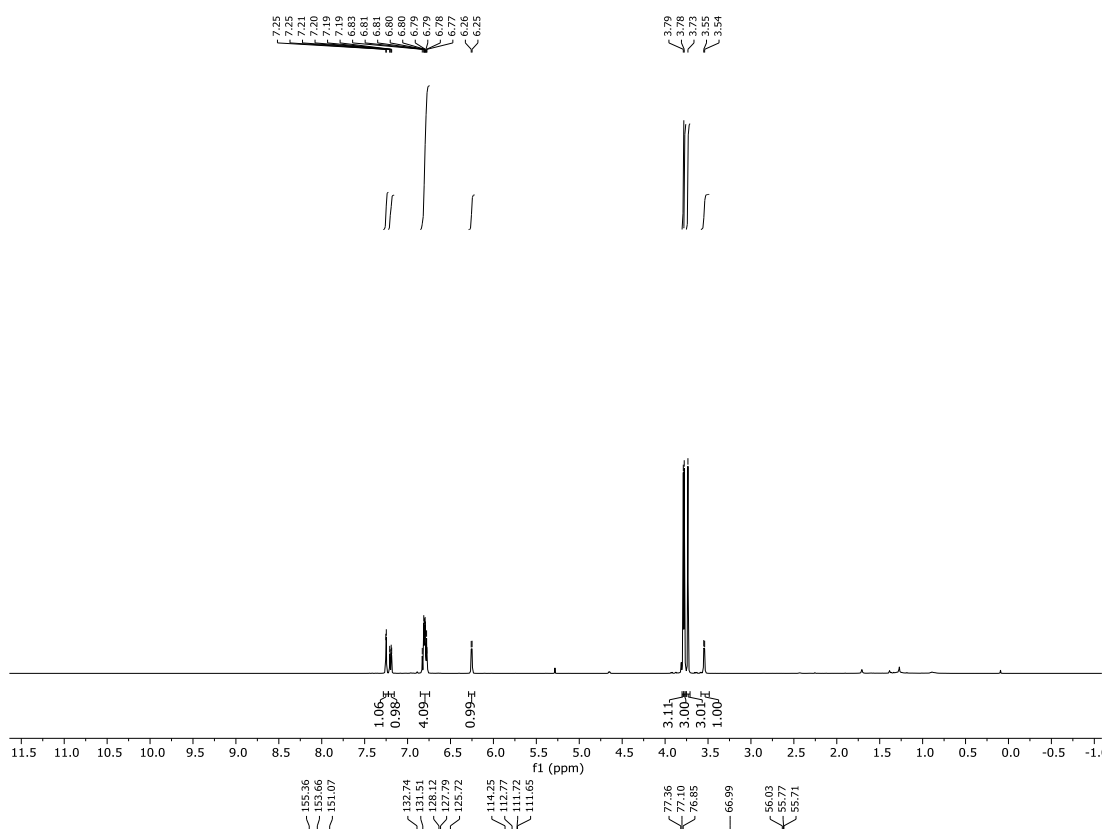
TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.17 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 4:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.25 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 6.85 – 6.76 (m, 4H), 6.25 (d, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 3.54 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H).

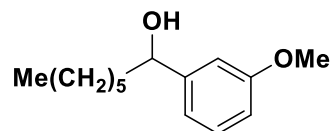
¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 155.4, 153.7, 151.1, 132.7, 131.5, 128.1, 127.8, 125.7, 114.3, 112.8, 111.7, 111.7, 67.0, 56.0, 55.8, 55.7.

HRMS (Cl⁺): mass calculated for [M]⁺ (for C₁₆H₁₇O₄Cl) requires *m/z* 308.0815, found *m/z* 308.0813

FTIR (neat) 3401, 2939, 2835, 1594, 1487, 1463, 1215, 1178, 1026, 908, 810, 731 cm⁻¹.



1-(3-methoxyphenyl)heptan-1-ol (7.3q)



The reaction was conducted in accordance with general procedure B using heptaldehyde (28 μ L, 0.2 mmol, 100 mol%) and 3-methoxyiodobenzene (47 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash column chromatography (SiO₂, hexanes : EtOAc = 10:1) provided 29 mg (64%, 0.13 mmol) of the title compound as a colorless oil.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.48 (hexanes : EtOAc = 4:1).

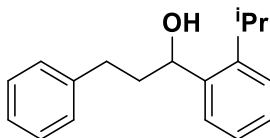
¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.31 – 7.22 (m, 1H), 6.95 – 6.88 (m, 2H), 6.82 (ddd, J = 8.3, 2.5, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 4.70 – 4.57 (m, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 1.92 (s, 1H), 1.84 – 1.74 (m, 1H), 1.69 (ddt, J = 18.0, 9.8, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 1.42 (ddd, J = 13.0, 7.8, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 1.36 – 1.23 (m, 8H), 0.88 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 159.9, 146.9, 129.6, 118.4, 113.0, 111.5, 74.8, 55.4, 39.2, 31.9, 29.3, 25.9, 22.7, 14.2.

HRMS (Cl⁺): mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₄H₂₂O₂) requires m/z 222.1620, found m/z 222.1616.

FTIR (neat): 3344, 2928, 2856, 1739, 1600, 1257, 1043, 874, 781, 699 cm⁻¹.

1-(2-isopropylphenyl)-3-phenylpropan-1-ol (7.3r)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure A using 3-phenylpropionaldehyde (27 μ L, 0.2 mmol, 100 mol%) and 2-iodocumene (64 μ L, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash column chromatography (SiO_2 , hexanes/EtOAc 9:1) provided the title compound (31.4 mg, 123 μ mol) in 62% yield as a colorless oil.

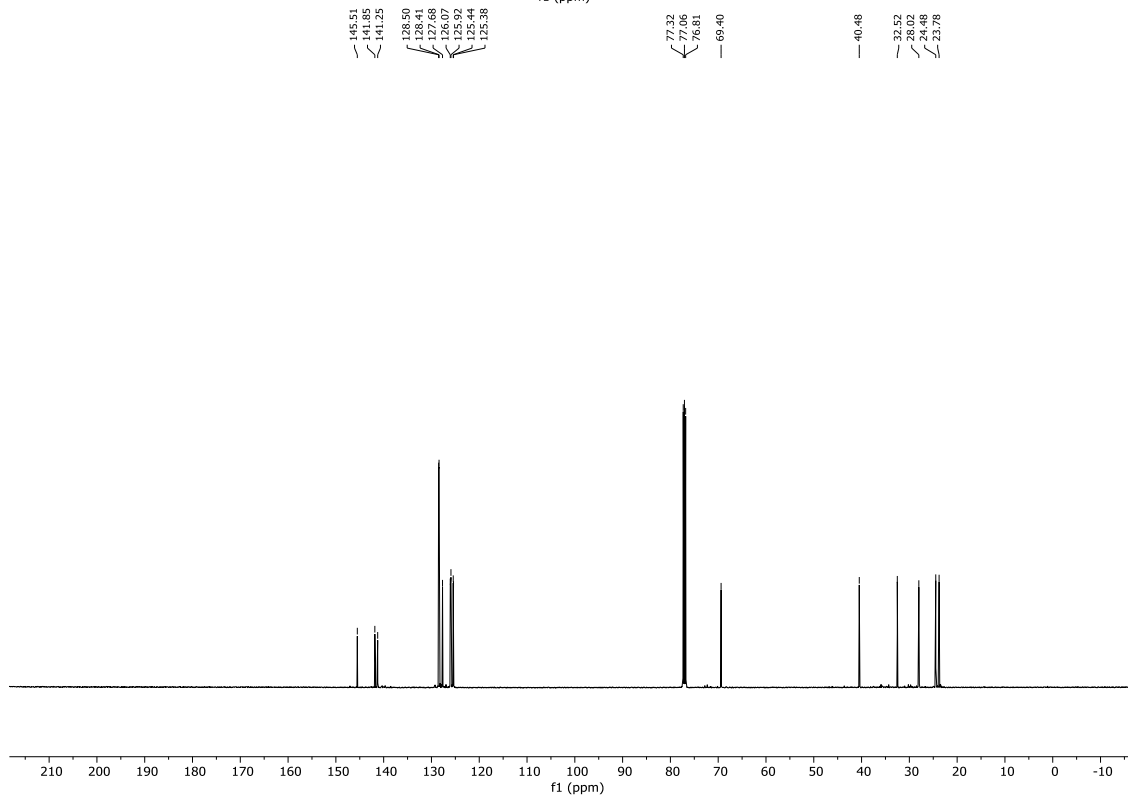
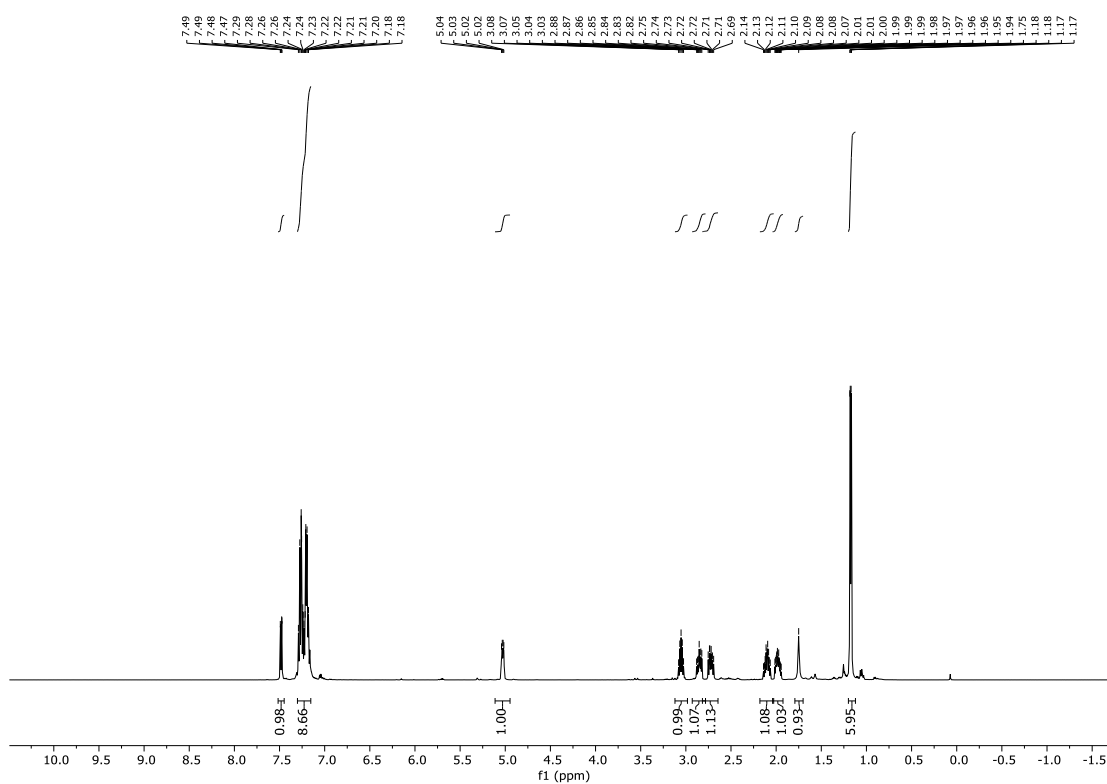
TLC (SiO_2) R_f = 0.49 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 4:1).

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.48 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.31 – 7.15 (m, 8H), 5.03 (dd, J = 8.6, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 3.05 (p, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.85 (ddd, J = 14.5, 9.6, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 2.72 (ddd, J = 13.8, 9.3, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.10 (ddt, J = 14.1, 9.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 1.98 (tdd, J = 13.9, 7.0, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 1.75 (s, 1H), 1.17 (dd, J = 6.9, 2.2 Hz, 6H).

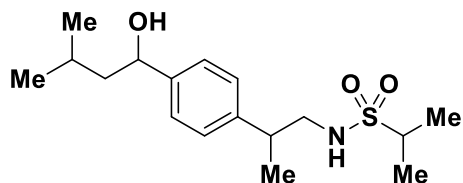
$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 145.5, 141.9, 141.3, 128.5, 128.4, 127.7, 126.1, 125.9, 125.4, 125.4, 69.4, 40.5, 32.5, 28.0, 24.5, 23.8.

HRMS (CI^+): mass calculated for $[\text{M}]^+$ (for xx) requires m/z xx, found m/z xx

FTIR (neat) 3416, 3027, 2961, 1451, 1032, 907, 759. 698 cm^{-1} .



N-(2-(4-(1-hydroxy-3-methylbutyl)phenyl)propyl)propane-2-sulfonamide (7.3s)



The reaction was conducted in accordance with general procedure A using isovaleraldehyde (22 μ L, 0.2 mmol, 100 mol%) and N-(2-(4-iodophenyl)propyl)propane-2-sulfonamide (100.8 mg, 0.4 mmol, 200 mol%) . Flash column chromatography (SiO₂, hexanes : EtOAc = 7:3) provided 37.4 mg (57%, 0.114 mmol) of the title compound as a white solid.

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.54 (hexanes : EtOAc = 1:1).

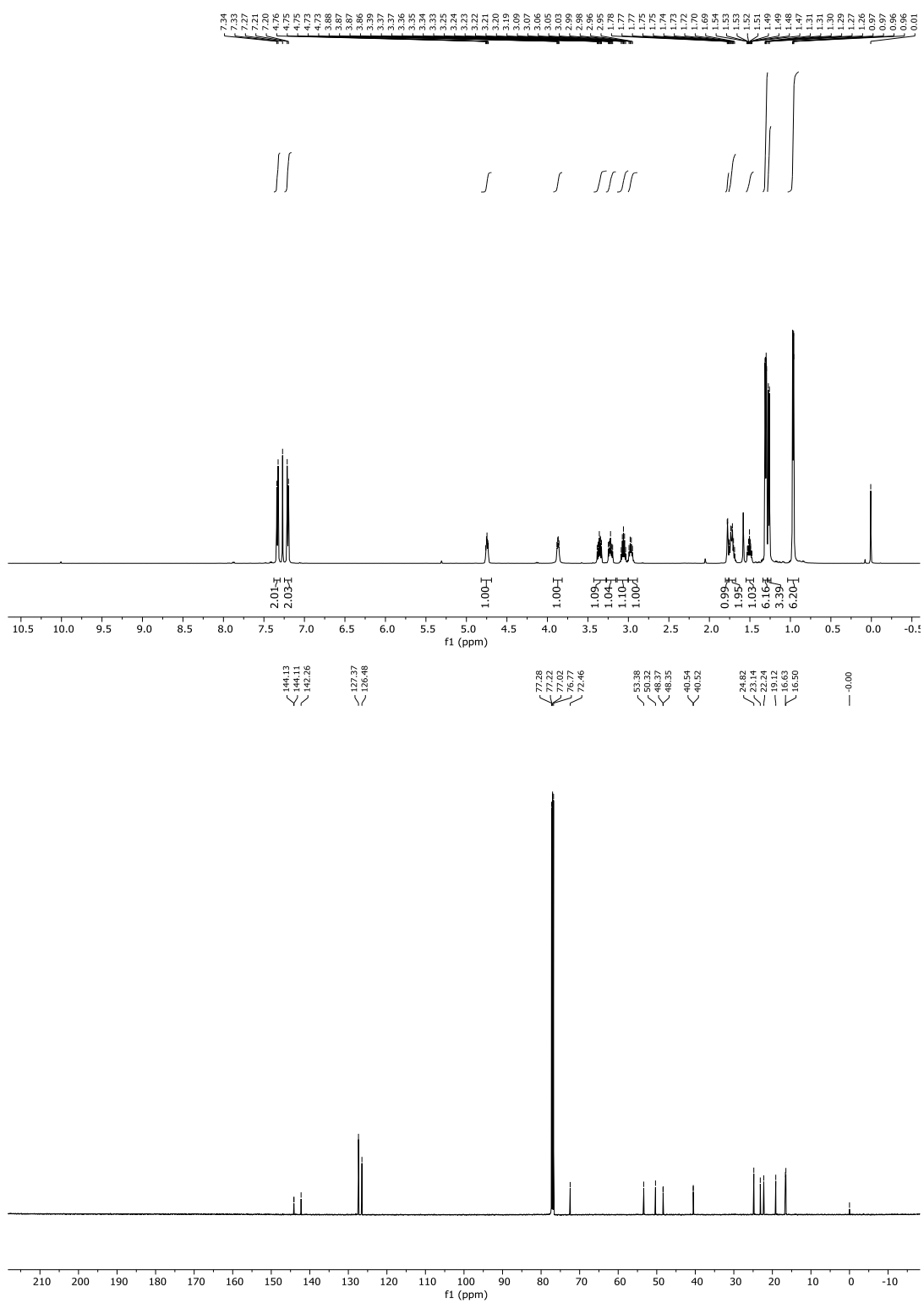
¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.33 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.73 (dd, J = 8.4, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (dd, J = 8.1, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 3.35 (ddd, J = 13.3, 7.9, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 3.21 (ddd, J = 13.1, 8.7, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 3.05 (p, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.96 (p, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 1.77 (d, J = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 1.71 (td, J = 13.2, 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.54 – 1.43 (m, 1H), 1.30 (dd, J = 6.9, 2.4 Hz, 6H), 1.26 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.97 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 144.1, 142.2, 127.4, 126.5, 72.5, 53.4, 50.3, 48.4, 48.4, 40.5, 40.5, 24.82, 23.1, 22.2, 19.1, 16.6, 16.5.

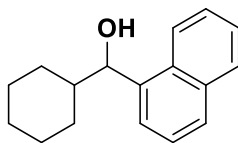
HRMS (ESI⁺): mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₇H₂₉NO₃S) requires m/z 350.1760, found m/z 350.1761.

FTIR (neat): 3246, 2956, 2867, 1738, 1385, 1311, 1132, 1061, 979, 691 cm⁻¹

MP 97-98 °C



cyclohexyl(naphthalen-1-yl)methanol (7.3t)



The reaction was conducted in accordance with general procedure A using cyclohexyl carboxaldehyde (22.4 mg, 0.2 mmol, 100 mol%) and 1-Iodonaphthalene (60 μ L, 0.4 mmol, 200 mol%) Flash column chromatography (SiO_2 , hexanes : EtOAc = 10:1) provided 31 mg (65%, 0.13 mmol) of the title compound as a pale yellow oil.

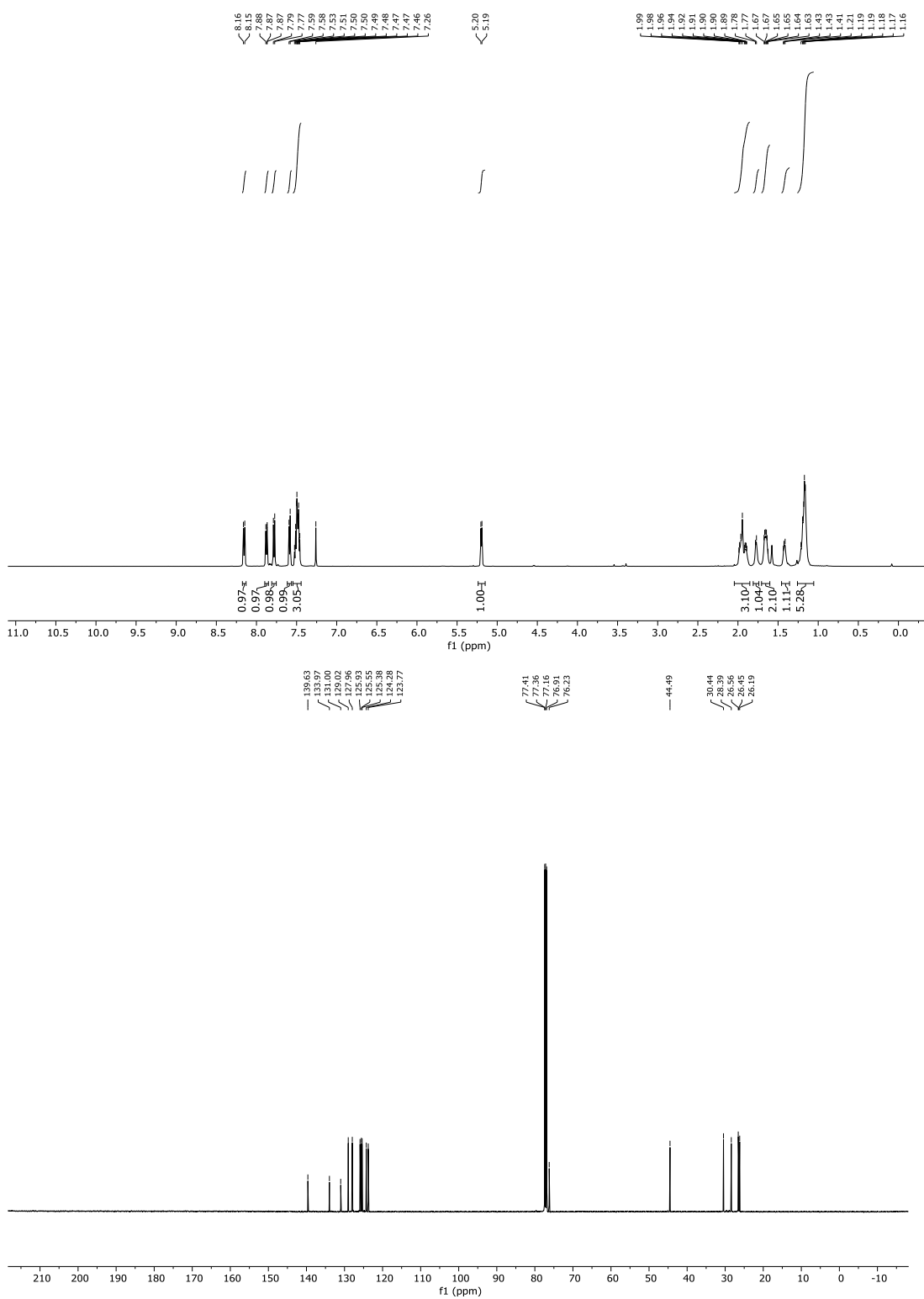
TLC (SiO_2) R_f = 0.63 (hexanes : EtOAc = 4:1).

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.15 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.90 – 7.84 (m, 1H), 7.78 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.53 – 7.44 (m, 3H), 5.20 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 2.00 – 1.92 (m, 2H), 1.91 (s, 1H), 1.77 (s, 1H), 1.68 – 1.61 (m, 2H), 1.46 – 1.36 (m, 1H), 1.25 – 1.08 (m, 5H).

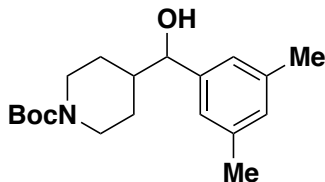
$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 139.6, 134.0, 131.0, 129.0, 128.0, 125.9, 125.6, 125.4, 124.3, 123.8, 76.2, 44.5, 30.4, 28.4, 26.6, 26.5, 26.2.

HRMS (Cl^+): mass calculated for $[\text{M}]^+$ ($\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}$) requires m/z 240.1514, found m/z 240.1521.

FTIR (neat): 3404, 3046, 2921, 2849, 1738, 1449, 776 cm^{-1} .



***tert*-butyl 4-((3,5-dimethylphenyl)(hydroxy)methyl)piperidine-1-carboxylate (7.3u)**



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure A using *tert*-butyl 4-formylpiperidine-1-carboxylate (42.6 mg, 0.2 mmol, 100 mol%) and 1-iodo-3,5-dimethylbenzene (92.8 mg, 0.40 mmol, 200 mol%). Flash chromatography on silica (Hex/EtOAc 5:1) provided the title compound (54.1 mg, 170 μ mol) in 85% yield as a light-yellow oil.

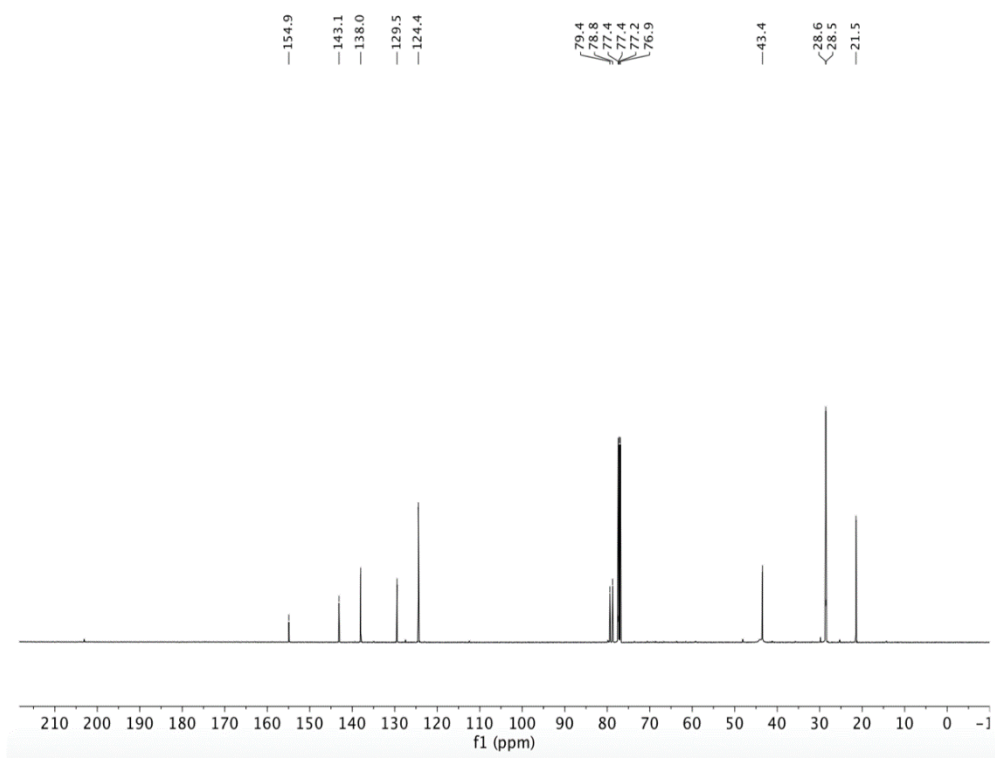
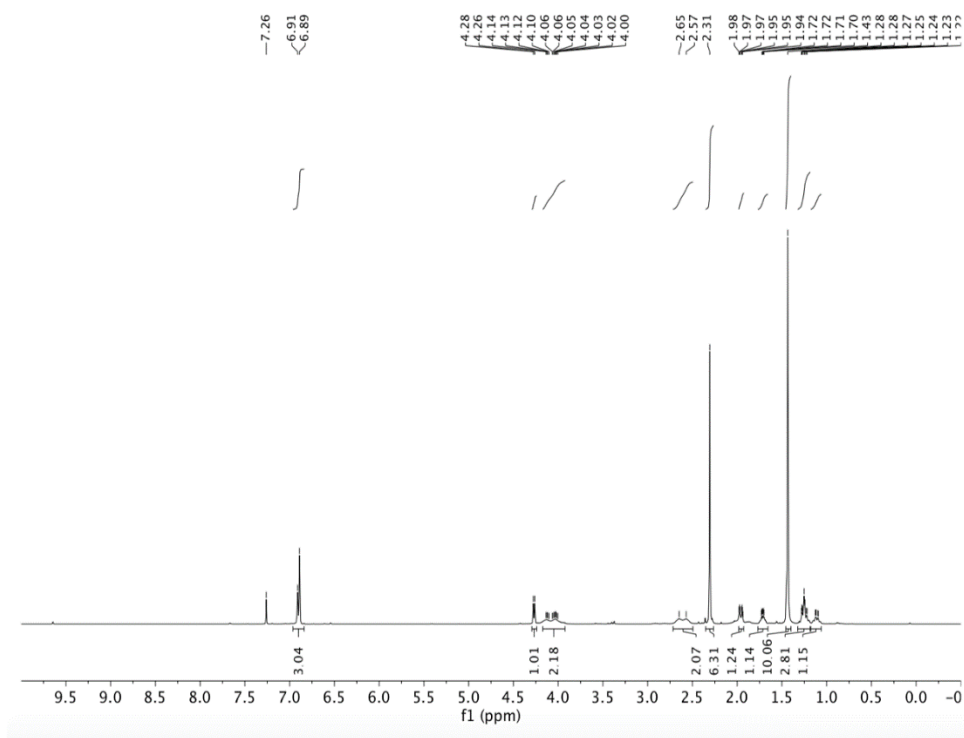
TLC (SiO_2) R_f = 0.50 (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 2:1).

^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 6.90 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 3H), 4.27 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.19 – 3.89 (m, 2H), 2.61 (d, J = 39.7 Hz, 2H), 2.31 (s, 6H), 1.96 (dt, J = 13.2, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 1.72 (dt, J = 7.7, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 1.43 (s, 10H), 1.25 (td, J = 12.2, 3.9 Hz, 3H), 1.11 (dd, J = 12.7, 4.4 Hz, 1H).

^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 154.9, 143.1, 138.0, 129.5, 124.4, 79.4, 78.8, 43.4, 28.6, 21.5.

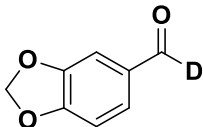
HRMS (ESI^+): mass calculated for $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ ($\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{29}\text{NO}_3$) requires m/z 342.2040, found m/z 342.2045.

FTIR (neat) 2970, 2917, 2859, 2359, 1739, 1668, 1424, 1365, 1162, 1126, 847, 753 cm^{-1} .



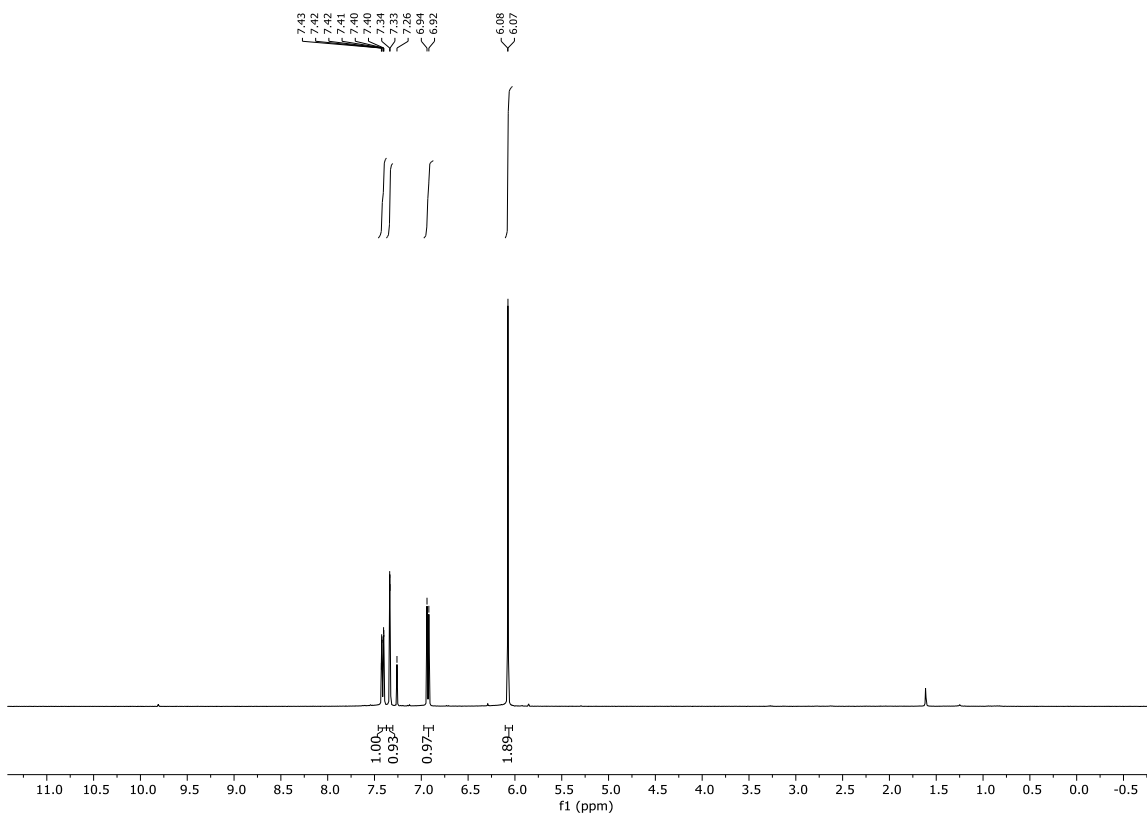
Preparation and Spectral Data for Deuterated Substrates:

benzo[d][1,3]dioxole-5-carbaldehyde-d (deutero-7.1a)

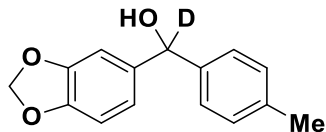


The title compound was synthesized over two steps from piperonal following literature procedures.²

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.46 – 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.34 (s, 1H), 6.93 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.07 (s, 2H).



benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl(p-tolyl)methan-d-ol (deutero- 7.3a)



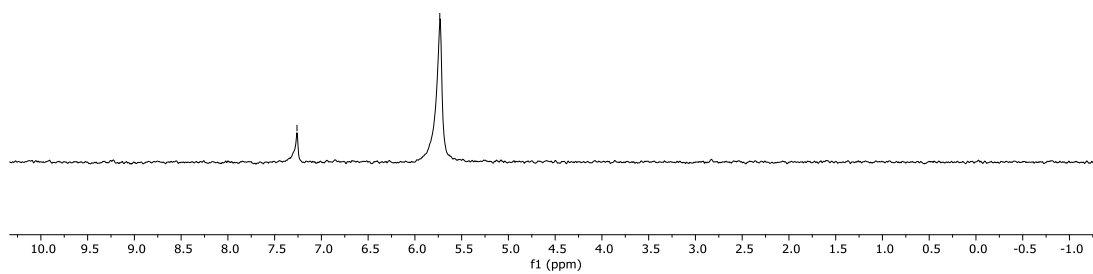
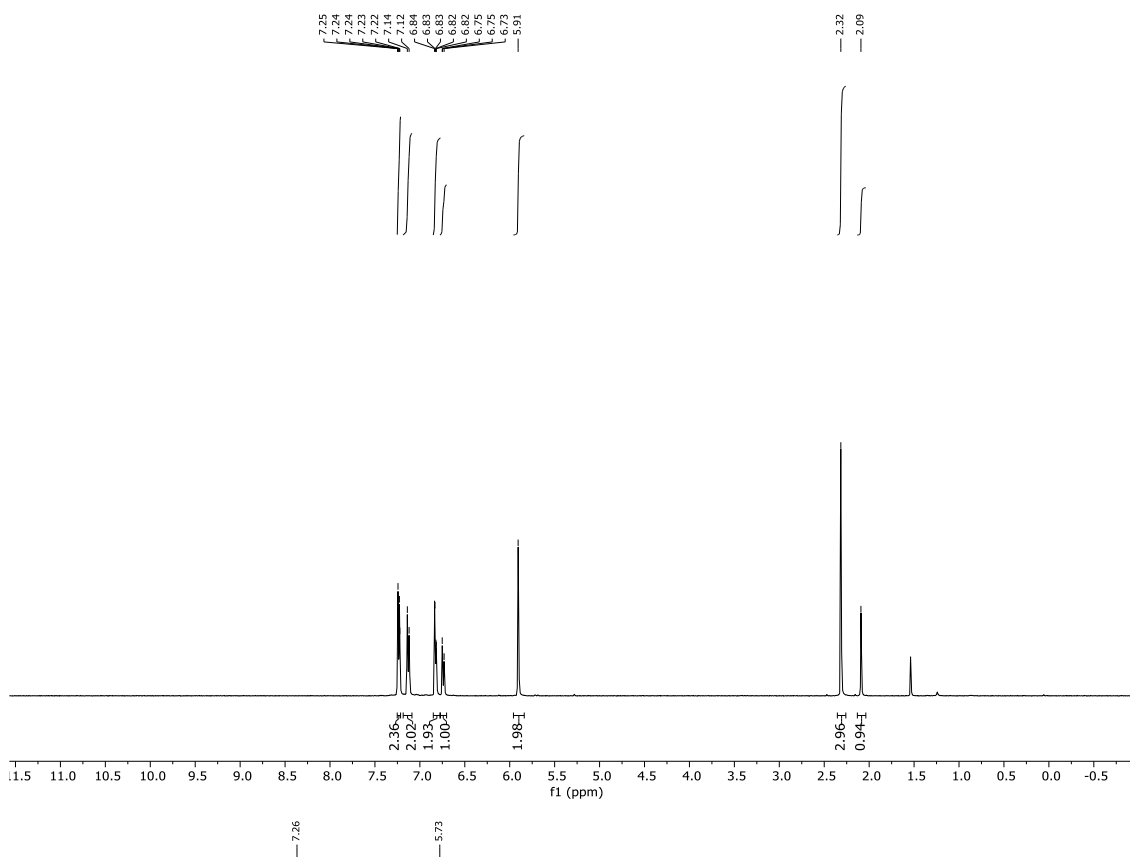
The reaction was conducted in accordance with general procedure A. Flash column chromatography (SiO₂, hexanes : EtOAc = 4:1) provided 32 mg (66%, 0.132 mmol) of the title compound as a white solid

TLC (SiO₂) R_f = 0.33 (hexanes : EtOAc = 4:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.23 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.82 (dd, *J* = 6.1, 1.8 Hz, 2H), 6.77 – 6.68 (m, 1H), 5.90 (s, 2H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 2.09 (s, 1H).

²H NMR (92 MHz, CHCl₃): δ 5.73 (s, 1H).

HRMS (CI⁺): mass calculated for [M]⁺ (C₁₅O₃¹H₁₂²H) requires *m/z* 243.1006, found *m/z* 243.1005.



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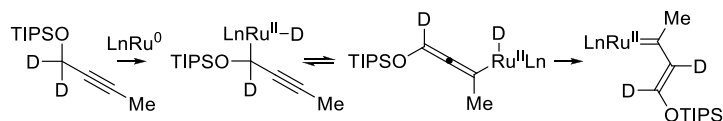
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